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RUSSIA AGREES TO RENEWAL OF TRADE WITH THE TEUTONS

Germans May Also Reorganise Railways And The Army

FIND WAR CAUSE

Austro-German Prisoners Hold Convention In Moscow

CAPITAL IS GUILTY

Trotsky Releases Enemy Soldiers From Labor; Now Freemen

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Petrograd, December 19.—The Maximalist newspaper Pravda publishes an account of a meeting of prisoners of war in Moscow. The meeting was opened by the Maximalist Shklofsky. Speeches were delivered in German, Hungarian and other languages and a resolution passed that this bloody war was being waged in the interests of the capitalists and against the workers and peasants.

London, December 20.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News states that the principal conditions obtained by the Germans in the armistice are the rights to trade. It is believed that they will endeavor to organise the railways and transport and re-establish commercial relations. They may organise the Russian army against the Ukrainians, who are reported to be contemplating union with the Caucasus and Siberia and to proclaim the Grand Duke Michael as their monarch.

Demands on Ukraine

The People's Commissioners, earlier, on behalf of various Soviets, had issued a statement recognising the right of the Ukraine Republic to separate from Russia, but demanding that the Ukraine Rada or Parliament shall cease moving troops towards the Don, Ural and elsewhere and cease disarming the Soviet Red Guards.

Failing a satisfactory reply within 48 hours the Ukraine Rada will be considered to be in a state of war against the Soviets.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, wiring on the 18th, says: The People's Commissioners have formed a Council of National Economy which is empowered to confiscate, requisition and syndicalise the different branches of trade and industry.

War Prisoners Freed

Wiring yesterday, he states that the Maximalist leader Trotsky has signed an order releasing the Austrian and German prisoners of war in the Borovitchy district, in the Government of Novgorod, from compulsory labor and placing them on an equality with free workmen as regards wages, etcetera, with the option of working in agriculture in the province of Kherson, in which event they will receive travelling passes.

Trotsky instructs the Russian delegation at Brest-Litovsk to propose to the Austrians, Germans, Turks and Bulgarians to deal in a similar manner with their civilian prisoners.

An order has been issued handing over the administration of the fleets to central committees, abolishing admirals and replacing the staffs by elected organisations. The central committees will appoint boards to direct naval operations.

Civil War Spreads

Civil war is spreading northward along the Volga from Astrakhan to Samara. The Maximalists occupy Astrakhan and the Cossacks are twenty versts from the town. Fighting has probably already begun.

An extraordinary situation exists at Tsaritsim, on the Volga, where neither the Maximalists nor the Cossacks have the mastery, both having been beaten by the Iliodorinites, who advanced against them singing "Save, Lord, thy people."

The Orenburg Cossacks, commanded by General Dutoff, are

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Defense Finds Fault With Mr. Rodger's Petition In Champions Libel Action

Plaintiff Admits Half-Ticket Sold Without Wong's Knowledge But Claims He Ratified Sale

Cross-examination of Mr. H. D. Rodger in his $25,000 libel action against T. L. Wong regarding the division of the Champion Sweepstakes was concluded in the Mixed Court yesterday after a long afternoon's wrangling. The witness' disposition to argue Mr. Godfrey's questions and to enlarge upon his answers brought frequent remonstrance from the counsel for the defendant and reminders from the court that the witness must stick to questions and answers.

The principal points taken up by Mr. Godfrey related to Wong's arrest, which he held was illegal, and the construction of Mr. Rodger's petition in the suit. Mr. Rodger admitted that the half of the winning ticket was sold to Mr. Arnhold without Wong's knowledge and consent but maintained that the sale was ratified by him before the race. Regarding the petition, the plaintiff, while admitting that this fact made one paragraph wrong in part, declared that it made no difference and he would stand on it as originally drawn.

After long questioning concerning the plaintiff's steps in bringing the suit, Mr. Godfrey took up the matter of the arrest.

"You say," queried counsel, "that on the 24th you were fortunate enough to 'get' Wong on the street, and you then called a Sikh constable and had him arrested?"

"I asked him to come to the Central Police Station and he refused to come. Finally he decided to come. He was not formally arrested."

"What is your story of the arrests?"

"I object to the question as immaterial," said the witness.

"Immaterial! Good gracious! Don't you want to answer the question? Was he informally arrested?"

Ordered to Describe Arrest

Advised by the court that he should describe the arrest, Mr. Rodger said that he had seen Wong and had got out of his machine and asked him to come to the American Consulate. Wong refused and wanted to go to his lawyers and a Sikh constable had suggested that they go to the station. They proceeded there and Mr. Rodger had called Assessor Perkins on the telephone, the latter saying that Wong might be released when security had been put up, a security summons having been issued for him.

"It was eventually put up," said Mr. Rodger, "and he was then arrested for the first time."

"You say that it was at this moment, after bail had been put up, that he was put under arrest for the first time?"

"I regard it that before that he was only detained."

"By detained you mean so that he couldn't get away?" asked Mr. Godfrey.

"I leave that to your own conclusions," replied the witness.

In response to further questions Mr. Rodger said that the Sikh did not have a warrant for arrest, but that a security summons had been issued, though he knew this had not yet reached the court for signature. Mr. Godfrey put it to the witness that he had no authority to have the defendant arrested and that the arrest was illegal. The witness objected to this as irrelevant and there was a long argument as to Mr. Rodger's reason for having Wong taken to the station, the witness stating that he did so because he feared Wong was about to leave town and Mr. Godfrey arguing that if he had intended so doing he would still have done it after being released, since the bail was only $5,000.

Questioned as to why he had not replied to the two letters written him by Messrs. Fleming and Davies regarding Wong's claims, Mr. Rodger said he did not do so because he knew the claims were false and so ignored them.

Taking up the plaintiff's petition, Mr. Godfrey referred to that part of the libel allegations paragraph wherein Wong is alleged to have stated that the plaintiff paid for none of the tickets but claimed a half interest because he had bought them and held them in his possession.

Challenges Evidence for Petition

"I put it to you that you have no evidence that Wong ever made that statement?" he declared.

Mr. Rodger replied that he had heard the statement at the Louza police station but that it might not have been brought out in the evidence in court.

"These policemen were Wong's very good friends," he said, "and the statements they made to me at the station were stronger than they gave in court."

"Do you say that the police have been short in their evidence because they were good friends of Wong?"

"I say that the policemen have known Wong for years and were protecting Wong as far as they could and still come to court and

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RED CROSS MEMBERS ARE COMING IN SLOWLY

Only Four Days Left To Get Name In For Christmas 'Drive'

American Red Cross memberships in connection with the "10,000,000 Membership Drive" have been coming in to Miss E. R. Jansen, No. 2 Jessfield Road, somewhat slowly, but it is expected that by next Monday morning there will be a big influx of registrations from the Shanghai American community.

A number of workers in the campaign are said to have secured many enrollments and these will be turned in in time for the total to be cabled to Washington on Christmas day, when the drive officially ends at headquarters.

With a view to facilitating matters, it is suggested that those sending membership applications to Miss Jansen, accompany the same with a United States postal money order or draft for one dollar gold, or any amount which they desire to subscribe. This is particularly desirable due to the fluctuations in exchange from day to day.

Membership without the organisation magazine is $1. A subscribing membership is $2; contributing membership, $5.00; sustaining membership $10; life membership, $25; Patron membership, $100.

Remember, Monday is the last day to aid in swelling the drive.

BOLSHEVIKI AT HARBIN WARNED BY CHINESE

Notified That Order Must Be Kept And Law-abiding People Protected

CHINA PRESS' OWN SERVICE

Peking, December 21.—The Chinese authorities at Harbin have issued a notification that certain persons have infringed Chinese rights along the railway and adjoining it. The Chinese insist that order be kept and the law-abiding elements protected. This is regarded as a warning to the Bolsheviki.

Price of Gas Goes Up Beginning This Month

Company Announces Increase Is Due To High Cost Of Coal

Higher prices for gas are announced by the Shanghai Gas Co., the reason stated being the increased cost of coal. The advanced charges apply following the December meter readings, throughout the foreign and Chinese settlements.

Lighting, cooking and heating gas henceforth will be $2.20 per 1,000 cubic feet under the new scale. The charge for Chinese cookers will be $2.10 per 1,000 cubic feet; for power and industrial purposes, $2.10, and for alleyway lamps, $2 per month.

No Lights and No Liquor! Poor Little Old New York!



No Separate Peace, French Socialists' Message To Russia

Would Be Treason To Democracy, Is Plea To Fellow-Members of Party

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 19.—The Socialist members of Parliament today sent a message to the Russian Socialists in which they stated that they welcomed with enthusiasm the coming of the Russian Revolution but that they see with anguish some Socialists enter into negotiations which might lead to a separate peace with Germany.

"The western democracies and the democracy of the United States cannot help feeling threatened through their abandonment by their great eastern Ally and that defection compels them to harden themselves in readiness for a prolonged fight, as they want to prevent political and military domination of democracy by the Central Powers, who brought on this actual war.

"Germany has always refused until now to let her ends in the war be known. The proletariat of the Central Empires has not conquered its political liberty. It has neither complete and universal suffrage nor a supreme and responsible parliament. Therefore the people in the enemy countries have affirmed by their acts neither their will against imperialism nor their adhesion to the right of people to dispose of themselves and to self-government.

"However, peace in order to be just and durable should be made by the democratic will of the people. A separate peace cannot be so. Should peace be concluded by the Maximalists people could say that the Russians have renounced the right for a people to dispose of themselves and the sacrifices made in this war and the fate of the small nations have been violated.

"Russian Socialists will not assume such a responsibility. It is necessary that by their means Russia should get freed from the abyss to the bottom of which Tsarism threw her. Russia will find a steady form of Government in her 'Constutuante,' which can alone stop civil conflicts, found an indestructible Russian liberty and help on the progress of socialism in the world."

Allied Losses In Ships Lower Than Last Year

Diagram Shows Marked Decline In Submarine's Effectiveness Since Last June

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—As official diagram shows British, Allied and neutral tonnage losses in merchantmen each quarter from the beginning of 1916 to date.

The losses each quarter progressively rose between the end of September, 1916, to the end of June, 1917, after which they sharply declined, being now below the losses for the corresponding period last year.

Another diagram shows that the number of German submarines sunk has risen progressively since October, 1916, to October, 1917, after which the rate was stationary. These calculations are based on absolute knowledge.



New York City is the City of Marvelous Night. But the "City of 10,000,000 Eyes" is now to become sightless, because of the shortage of coal and as a war-economy. The decree bars everywhere illuminated signs, advertisements, searchlights and external ornamental illuminations and also prohibits lights in the interior of stores and offices other than business places when they are not open. The photo at the top, one of a series by Philip Ossa, of New York, is considered by experts one of the most remarkable night views ever made of the great metropolis. It shows the noted "Milky Way," where Broadway and Seventh avenue meet.

The lower photo shows the Woolworth Building from City Hall. What with lights out and the expected prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicants New Yorkers surely will feel they are getting a real dose of the horrors of war. "All dressed up and no place to go!"

JINGLE BELLS!

Last night about dinner time it was in doubt. On the way to the theater the looks of uncertainty began to fade. But when the hour arrived whereat audiences begin to go home all dubiety in the matter was at an end.

It was snowing. As we go to press it is still snowing—somewhat bashfully, it is true, but still, snowing. The first snow of the year.

A hysterical subscriber calls up for advice on getting out the cutter. The weather man is noncommittal on this point.

SARRAIL AND ADMIRAL RECALLED TO FRANCE

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Athens, December 19.—The newspapers state the at General Sarrail is to be recalled and appointed to a higher post, General Guillaumat succeeding him.

It is reported that the French Admiral in command of the Allied squadron in the Aegean is to be replaced by Rear-admiral Fatu.

Old French Cruiser Torpedoed And Sunk; U-boat Destroyed

Britain's Weekly Submarine Loss 14 Over And 3 Under 1,600 Tons

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 19.—A naval communique states:—"The old cruiser Chateau Renault, which was being utilised as a transport, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine on the morning of the 14th. All on board were saved except ten sailors who are missing. The submarine was destroyed."

An official communique states that last week 981 merchantmen arrived at French ports and 892 departed. One vessel under 1,600 tons was sunk and one unsuccessfully attacked.

London, December 19.—The Admiralty announces that last week the number of vessels arriving at ports of the United Kingdom totalled 2,461 and the number sailing 2,499. Sunk during the same period:

Over 1,600 tons, 14.
Under 1,600 tons, 3.
Unsuccessfully attacked, 11.
Fishing vessels sunk, 1.

Rome, December 19.—An official communique states that 384 merchantmen arrived and 333 departed from Italian ports last week. One sailing-vessel over and one under 100 tons were sunk during the same period.

AUSTRIANS TAKE 2,000 IN STORMING HEIGHT

Italians Admit Loss At Monte Asolone But Are Holding Elsewhere

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—A German official communique states: The Austro-Hungarian forces have stormed Monte Asolone and the adjoining positions and taken over 2,000 prisoners. Italian attacks eastward of Monte Solarolo broke down.

Rome, December 19.—An official communique reports: After violent efforts to advance southwards from Col Caprile to Monte Pertica the enemy only succeeded in gaining advantages at Monte Asolone. Nevertheless we took 100 prisoners. Our naval forces prevented an attempt made by the enemy to cross at Porto di Vecchia Piave.

Mrs. A. M. Dollar Dies Of Smallpox Here

Daughter-in-Law of Robert Dollar Passes Away After Brief Illness

Mrs. Bessie M. Dollar, wife of Mr. A. M. Dollar, died yesterday of smallpox after an illness of about two weeks. Mrs. Dollar, whose husband is a brother of Mr. J. Harold Dollar, Shanghai manager of the Robert Dollar Co., arrived here from Vancouver only a short time ago. She was 41 years old.

The funeral will take place today at 5 p.m. at the Bubbling Well Cemetery. All friends are invited to attend.

LIBERAL M.P.'S ASK CLEARER OUTLINE OF ENTENTE'S AIMS

Balfour Replies They Already Have Been Clearly Expressed

MEMBERS DEBATE

Government Urged To State Terms Acceptable To Wilson

GERMANS SILENT

Enemy Has Repeatedly Refused to Tell Objects, It Is Pointed Out

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—In the House of Commons today, in reply to speeches made by Sir William Collins, Liberal M.P. for Derby, and Mr. A. A. Ponsonby, Liberal M.P. for Stirling Burghs, demanding a clearer statement of the Allies' war aims, Mr. A. J. Balfour, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, emphasised that the great aims for which we are unselfishly fighting have been frequently, consistently and lucidly expressed. What was desirable at the present time was not so much a discussion of war aims as of war methods. Carrying on the war was the immediate and all essential thing. Our broad objects in the war were never in doubt, but the very magnitude of the war meant that all sorts of difficult side-issues were constantly arising.

Mr. Balfour dealt with the allegation made by Mr. A. A. Ponsonby that our aims are not disinterested, as shown by the agreement made with Russia with regard to Constantinople. Mr. Balfour declared that what the late Government did in this connection was absolutely justified in the circumstances. Italy properly deserved a rearrangement of territory in her favor. The Government was never even aware that any French statesman seriously entertained the idea of cutting off a bit of Germany in order to form a buffer state between France and Germany.

Mr. Balfour contrasted the exposition of our war aims with the studied silence of our enemies on this subject and concluded with a stinging castigation of Mr. Ponsonby.

Wilson Must Approve Aims

Commander Wedgwood, Liberal M. P. for Newcastle-under-Lyne, who followed Mr. Balfour, declared that America was the main support of the Allies and our terms must be bound by President Wilson's acceptance of them. There should be a closer union of our aims with those of the United States and a statement to this effect would not merely split the German nation from top to bottom but would increase the morale of the British people.

Lord Cavendish-Bentinck, Unionist M. P. for South Nottingham, said that if the people were losing their morale it was entirely due to the suspicion that our war aims are being increased in favor of the plutocracy.

Mr. McCreedy said that the people were suspicious not that the Government was going too far but that it was not going far enough.

After speeches had been made by many other members, including Mr. Walter Runciman, Lord Robert Cecil replied.

Germany Refuses To Give Aims

Replying to the charge made by Mr. C. P. Trevelyan, Liberal M. P. for Elland, that the Government has not attempted to discover the German terms, Lord Robert Cecil said that there was scarcely anyone who had spoken in the House of Commons who had not asked the Germans to state their terms. Mr. Asquith had done so repeatedly. Not a word in reply had been received.

Replying to criticisms of Sir Edward Carson, Lord Robert Cecil said that it was an old story about the west bank of the Rhine. He thought it had been completely cleared up that Sir Edward Carson did not intend to suggest anything in advance

of the general policy of the Government regarding Alsace-Lorraine. Further, he was not an advocate of an economic war after the war but there would be a shortage of raw materials throughout the world after the war. The great masses of raw material would be controlled by ourselves and our Allies and it could not be expected that we would go short of them after the war in order to supply Germany. There was nothing vindictive about that.

Lord Robert Cecil said that he was convinced that the British public would not permit the abandonment of any of the undertakings we have given our Allies. He agreed that besides victory we must have security for a lasting settlement. It had been suggested that the principal precaution was the establishment of a League of Nations. He would not remain a member of a Government which did not make a League of Nations after the war one of its main objects, but we must begin with a partnership of those nations whom we regarded as worthy to enter it. The idea that a League of Nations could be established with a victorious Germany was utterly mistaken.

Russia To Renew German Trade

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advancing against Samara. The Maximalist garrisons en route have dispersed themselves in the houses.

The latest news from Odessa states that the Ukrainians are extending their possession of that town and are also disarming and removing the Maximalist troops in the province of Kieff.

Loan Repudiation?.

London, December 19.—In the House of Commons this afternoon, Lord Robert Cecil stated that he had no official information that Russia has repudiated her financial obligations.

Copenhagen, December 19.—The German Chancellor, Count von Hertling, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Baron von Kuhlmann, have been conferring at Grand Headquarters with the Kaiser, Marshal von Hindenburg and General von Ludendorff.

The leaders of the various parties in the Reichstag, including the Independent Socialists, who have never previously participated in such a meeting, will hold a meeting tomorrow to discuss peace between Russia and Germany.

Cossacks Make Gain

London, December 20.—Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd, in a message sent yesterday, wires that the Rostoff correspondent of the Evening Post, in a message dated the 17th, states that the Don and Kuban Cossacks have finally occupied the town, the Maximalist infantry joining the Cossacks while the Red Guards laid down their arms and surrendered.

General Kaledin has communicated with the Smolny Institute in Petrograd, which is the Bolshevik Headquarters, proposing the cessation of civil war. He stipulates that the Maximalists shall not interfere with affairs in the region of the Don and insists on the immediate formation of a national Government.

A despatch from Kieff reports that a strong Maximalist force is marching on that city.

WEEKLY MEATLESS DAY IS DECREED FOR BRITAIN

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—The Food Controller, Lord Rhondda, is arranging to fix in January maximum prices for various grades of home live-stock. He imposes from the New Year a meatless day a week, on which no cooked or uncooked meat is to be sold, and he proposes to limit the retail sales after the January 13 to three-quarters of the sales last October.

BRUGES WORKS BOMBED

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 20.—The Admiralty reports:

Our aircraft dropped large quantities of explosives on the Brugeoise Works at Bruges on Tuesday night, obtaining direct hits. A large fire was observed.

They also bombed Vlisseghem aerodrome yesterday afternoon, securing direct hits.

We destroyed one enemy machine and drove down another. One of ours is missing.

The Weather

Cloudy and gloomy, with threats of snow. The maximum temperature yesterday was 42.4 and the minimum 34.2, the figures for the corresponding day last year being 55 and 33.6.

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Germans Still Bringing Up Reinforcements On West

Little Activity In Trenches but Suspicious Enemy Movement Going On Behind Lines

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, Dec. 20, noon.—Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports: There has been hostile artillerying at Passchendaele.

The Portuguese repulsed raiders southeastwards of La Ventie.

London, December 19.—Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

Aviation. The Australian air-squadrons did good work on Monday. Two of their pilots were attacked by many scouts but brought down one and dispersed the remainder.

Our aeroplanes yesterday dropped 150 bombs on railway-stations and trenches.

There was intense fighting in the air the whole day long, greatly in our favor. We brought down nine enemy machines and drove down three. Three of ours are missing.

Last night we bombed the aerodromes at St. Denis Westrem, Roulers and Lichtervelde and the railway-stations at Thourout, Ledeghem, Cambrai and Menin. All our machines returned.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports this evening: We drove off raiders southeast of Guemappe. The enemy raided two posts in the neighborhood of Avion. There has been considerable hostile artillerying at Ploegsteert Wood and Polygon Wood.

Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters wires: The deep frozen snow is rendering transport very difficult and big operations have become almost impossible but the enemy is displaying considerable activity.

A good deal of movement is in progress behind the German lines, under suspicious circumstances, based on past experience, as the enemy is using the Red Cross flag freely.

The recent attack south of Polderhoek Chateau only met with success owing to our men having used up all their available grenades.

Referring to the much-bruited reports of the arrival of a number of fresh enemy divisions in Belgium from the Eastern front, Reuter's correspondent arrives at a liberal estimate that the trench strength of each of such divisions does not exceed 3,500 infantrymen of all ranks.

Paris, December 19.—The official communique issued this afternoon reports: During the night the enemy bombarded our front line south of Juvincourt, in the Argonne and at Four de Paris. Our guns effectively replied. Repeated attempts to reach our positions at Four de Paris were repulsed.

The enemy dropped fifty bombs in Dunkirk on the night of the 18th. There were no casualties.

The official communique issued this evening reports:—There has been a reciprocal bombardment in the regions of Juvincourt, north of Caurieres Wood, Hartmanns Weilerkopf and Schoenholz.

A semi-official statement confirms that there are 154 German divisions on the Western front. "The enemy continues to bring up reinforcements of youths and specialised detachments, artillery, aeroplanes and supplies of war material from the East front. Nevertheless the Allies maintain a marked superiority in all respects, and they are utilising the period of cold and snow to make all the dispositions necessary to resist an attack and thereafter victoriously to counter-attack.

"There are still 113 enemy divisions on the East front, of which 77 are German and 33 Austrian, compared with 137 Divisions in September, but these are of little value."

BORDEN LAUDS HIGH DECISION OF CANADA

Liberals Except In Quebec Worked With Conservatives For Conscription

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Ottawa, December 19.—The Canadian Premier, Sir Robert Borden, in a statement on the elections says:—"The people of Canada have fully realised and splendidly fulfilled their duty. The Union Government will have a majority of at least 50 seats, which the vote of the soldiers may increase to 60 or more."

Sir Robert Borden says that it is not a partisan victory. He pays a tribute to the Liberals, who, except in the Province of Quebec, worked strenuously with the Conservatives. "It was a notable test of democracy. The Canadian people, after more than three years heroic devotion and noble sacrifice, were called upon to say whether Canada's effort in the war should be maintained. This involved compulsory military service. No more severe trial of the courage, self-sacrifice and endurance of democracy was ever made."

BELGIAN HERO, LEMAN, FREE

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Zurich, December 19.—General Leman, the defender of Liege, has been released by Germany and is due here.

ENEMY SHIPS ASSIGNED TO ENTENTE POWERS

U.S., Britain, France, Japan And Italy Get Nine Of Twelve

Only three small vessels among the 12 enemy ships confiscated by the Chinese government will remain in the service of Ta Tah Company. The remaining nine have been sublet by order of the Peking administration to the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy. All the vessels have been given new names.

The Chung Wei, Mei Ta and Mei Lee are retained by the Chinese Company. They have been rechristened the Hua Kung, Hua Ta and Hua Lee, respectively. American interests have obtained the lease of the China and the Silesia, whose new names are Hua Cha and Hua Yi. Great Britain has secured the Sexta (Hua Shin) and the Helene (Hua Kwei).

Japan's share consists of the Bohemia (Hua Ping), the Alberta (Hua Wu) and the Triumf (Hua Ning). The Deike Rickmers (Hua Ting) and the Kathe (Hua Chi) have been assigned to Italy and France respectively.

ALLIES RECOGNISE LISBON

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, December 19.—Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium have recognised the new regime in Portugal.

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Defense Attacks Rodger's Petition

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answer the questions put by me truthfully."

"You confirm then that they have given truthful evidence?"

"Yes," said the witness, "I think they have attempted to give the truth."

"Is there anything they told you previously that you think they later concealed?" persisted Mr. Godfrey.

"I don't think I care to answer that," replied Mr. Rodger.

"I am giving you a chance to improve your case," said Mr. Godfrey.

"I don't think they have," said the witness.

Mr. Godfrey then pointed out that he had asked the policemen about the clause of the petition in question and had invariably received a negative answer.

"My point is," he said, "that Mr. Rodger bolstered up paragraph 6 with a defamatory statement which Wong never made."

"It was told to me," said Mr Rodger. "Not in the exact words perhaps, but in substance."

Admits Ticket Sold On His Own

Mr. Godfrey then took up the paragraph of the petition regarding the sale of the half ticket. Mr. Rodger stated that the ticket had been sold before Wong got to the track, but said that he had ratified the sale before the race.

"Then the paragraph of the petition is wrong to the extent of the words 'with the defendant's knowledge and consent'?" asked the counsel.

"Yes," admitted Mr. Rodger, "but it makes no difference."

"It brings the paragraph down from 'knowledge, consent and ratification' to simply 'ratification.'"

"Yes, which amounts to the same thing."

Counsel sought to bring out that the plaintiff had made no effort to find Wong before disposing of the half-share.

"You have told the court," he said later, "that you might have kept the whole $79,000 and never given Wong a cent."

"Yes."

"Why?"

"Because it was a gambling transaction."

"Is that your idea of the law?" asked Mr. Godfrey.

"It is the law," retorted Mr. Rodger.

The case was then adjourned until a later date, Mr. Godfrey stating that among other witnesses he would call Mr. Gerrard, who, since his testimony the other day, had felt that he had something to add.

Mail Notices

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Irish In U. S. Denounce Plots Hampering Allies

Any Efforts By Sinn Fein Embarrassing Conduct Of War Called Hostility To America

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Chicago, December 19.—The Irish Fellowship Club, the largest Irish organisation in Chicago, has adopted a declaration, which will be forwarded to Ireland after submission to all the Irish organisations in America, stating that any Irishman seeking to embarrass any Ally in the conduct of the war commits an act of open hostility to the United States.

United Irish League Action

Lowell, Mass, November 19.—The United Irish League branch in this city at a meeting on Sunday passed resolutions on the Irish situation which declared that "any Irishman, whether here or in Ireland, who in advocacy of Irish freedom adopts a course that runs counter to the cause of the United States in the present war, is thereby serving the interests of Germany, is opposing human freedom and democracy, is doing irreparable injury to the Irish cause and brings discredit and humiliation upon the whole Irish race."

"As American citizens and members of the Irish League," says the resolution, "we deem it our duty to issue a statement of our position in reference to the relation of Ireland to the great struggle for world freedom and democracy.

"As loyal American citizens, we are most deeply interested in the cause for which the United States has entered the war, and we are utterly and irrevocably opposed to any policy that might injure the United States or her allies by giving aid and comfort to the enemy and thereby prolonging the war.

"While we yield to no set of men in our devotion to the cause of Irish freedom, we have consistently supported the constitutional movement, and we still believe that it offers the only practical method of securing for Ireland a measure of self-government similar to that now in force in Canada and South Africa.

Sinn Feinism Denounced

"The so-called Sinn Fein rebellion served the purpose of Germany by causing a standing army to be retained in Ireland; but the Irish people paid dearly for the outbreak in the loss of life, the destruction of property and the rigors of martial law.

"But a rebellion or uprising in Ireland at the present time would be much more serious than that of Easter week, for several reasons:

"First, the war has reached a more acute stage.

"Second, the United States is now in the war and any aid or comfort offered by Irishmen to Germany to that extent makes them the enemies of the United States, the best friend Ireland has among the nations.

"Third, a constitutional convention is now drafting a measure of home rule for Ireland, one under which all classes can be united in building up the Irish nation. Another outbreak at this time would probably defeat this measure and put off still further the establishment of a parliament in Dublin.

Must Not Be A Catspaw

"As for any promises of independence for Ireland coming from Germany, with all our souls we denounce them as hypocritical and insincere but equally to be spurned if they were sincere. Never in her history has Ireland been arrayed against human freedom, and she would be unworthy of freedom if she lined up with the modern Attila. Germany is trying to make a catspaw of Ireland and unfortunately some Irishmen are helping her horde of paid agents in that direction.

"The Kaiser built high hopes on the threatened Carson rebellion against Irish autonomy before the war; but as that failed to materialise, he found other means of attaining his object, which is to keep up continual turmoil throughout Ireland.

"Germany has not now and we hope never will have the power to grant independence to Ireland; but even if she did have, we cannot conceive of a worse calamity befalling the country than that it should pass under German domination.

"The wrongs which England inflicted upon Ireland in past ages and even the recent betrayal of Ireland and her leader by Premier Asquith, followed by the brutal execution of the Sinn Fein leaders, can never be excused or forgotten, yet we would a thousand times rather have Ireland remain under England than to pass under the sway of Germany to suffer later on such barbarous infamies as were practiced upon Poland and Belgium.

Ireland Granted Many Reforms

"Ireland in recent years has been granted so many reforms that practically nothing remains to complete her freedom but home rule, which is sure to be granted at the end of the war if not before. We demand that a complete measure of home rule be put into effect as soon as possible; and we hold that the men who oppose such a settlement on any pretense whatsoever are not serving the interests of Ireland.

"In 1908, when England was buying the land of Ireland and turning it over to the people, the German Government was expropriating all the Polish land owners in Prussian Poland and putting Germans in possession of their land. At the present day the Polish people in Prussia hold their own land only on sufferance of the Government, because they are not Germans. The Polish language was prescribed, whereas England was then and is now paying for teaching the Gaelic language in Ireland. As a result of these and other Germanising methods of the most outrageous character, there is today no Prussian Poland. Germany may well grant her brand of freedom to Russian Poland.

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AMERICANS UNDER FIRE SIX DAYS IN MOSCOW

Chicago Men Who Saw Bolsheviki Capture City Are Here On Way Home

Two Americans who were under fire for six days in Moscow when the struggle between the Bolsheviki and the loyal troops took place are now in Shanghai on their way home. They are Mr. Edwin S. Waterbury and Mr. H. H. Pierce of Morris and Company, the Chicago packers. They sail on the Korea this morning.

Mr. Pierce and Mr. Waterbury were in Russia throughout the recent disorders, having gone there last summer to survey the business possibilities of the country after the war. They were in Moscow when the uprising against Kerensky took place. According to both, the outbreak came without warning.

"We all knew, though, that something was to happen," said Mr. Waterbury. "There were rumblings of it long in advance. It began the night of November 9. The next morning there was firing throughout Moscow and it did not stop for six days, after which the Bolsheviki had control."

Throughout that time Mr. Pierce and Mr. Waterbury were, with a party of about forty other foreigners, including British, French, Italians and Japanese, in the British Club rooms in the National Hotel. That hotel was struck by 25 shells, but nobody was either killed or wounded, though they all had numerous narrow escapes. When the firing was on one side of the building they took refuge in the other. When it became too hot they fled to the basement. The same was true in the Metropole Hotel, the other big hotel of the city. Mr. Waterbury has brought away with him the jagged piece of a 75-millimeter shell that struck the hotel.

Mr. Pierce and Mr. Waterbury are agreed in the belief that the Bolsheviki cannot retain control of the government and that a reaction has already set in.

"The Bolsheviki in Petrograd may make a separate peace," said Mr. Pierce, "but the Cossack districts will never recognise it. They are the backbone of Russia, of real Russia, and one of them is worth ten of the Bolsheviki in a fight. They are determined that the people of Russia shall not be held up to the world in disgrace."

In the opinion of Mr. Waterbury, the developments of the last few days in the Ukraine are the beginning of the reaction against the Bolsheviki. He thinks that the challenge the Ukraine has issued to Petrograd is of great significance and that the Ukrainians can never be forced into submission by the forces that control Petrograd and Moscow.

Portugal Reaffirms Her Loyalty To Allies

New Government at Lisbon Supports Democracy's Cause To The End

(Note: A summary of the following official statement already has appeared in THE CHINA PRESS*):*

Reuter's Pacific Service to The China Press

Peking, December 18.—The following communique has been handed to Reuter's Agency for publication by the Portuguese Legation:

Lisbon, December 16.—The insinuations tending to underrate the nature and scope of the Portuguese revolution, whose character and purposes were defined in all the proclamations and documents which have emanated from the Revolutionary Committee and the new Government, as well as in all telegrams addressed to legations and embassies abroad, make it necessary for the new Government to outline clearly its true character and position.

The uprising was, and is, absolutely republican, without any connection whatsoever with foreign elements or assistance from them. The new Government will remain staunchly faithful in its entirety to the English Alliance and will support with its full strength the Allied cause. Not only the acts of the Revolutionary Committee assure this, but those of the Government also, to which the former has delegated all its powers, absolutely confirm these assertions of loyalty to the Allied cause and the determination faithfully to carry out all treaties and pacts entered into with Portugual's gallant Allies.

The bombardment of Funchal, after it had become generally known that the triumph of the Revolution had been achieved, the hostility of the German press and the activities of German agents against the new Portuguese situation are proof in themselves that the Central Powers consider the new regime antagonistic to their plans and policy. The new Government categorically denies any statement or report which contains sentiments contrary to the above and stamps them as intrigues of enemy origin, published for the purpose of damaging its authority and causing dissensions between Portugal and those countries with whom she is in alliance.

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Tells Full Story Of Cruise Of German Raider See Adler

Capt. Haldor Smith Of American Schooner R. C. Slade Describes Experiences Leading To Marooning On Mopeha

Washington, Nov. 20.—The full story of the cruise of the German commerce raider See Adler has been obtained by the Navy Department from Capt. Haldor Smith of the American schooner R. C. Slade and three other mariners who landed at Tatuila in an open boat, September 29, after being marooned on Mopeha Island by the master of the See Adler when the raider grounded and was abandoned.

The See Adler, formerly the American ship Pass of Balmaha, belonged to the Boston Lumber Co. and was in the Nova Scotia trade before the war. After the war broke out she was put under the American flag and was captured by the British and a prize officer was put aboard her with instructions to take her to Kirwall, Scotland. On the way she was captured by a German submarine and sent to Bremen and fitted out as a raider. A picked crew was placed aboard, some of whom spoke Norwegian, and sent out into the Adriatic under the guise of a Norwegian ship.

The ruse worked so well that after leaving Bremen on December 21, 1916, the See Adler was held up by the British auxiliary cruiser Highland Scot, examined and passed. Sailors' identification books issued by the Norweigan Government were furnished the men, although they probably were taken from captured Norwegian vessels and given to the men, who seemed to fit the descriptions given. These, together with pictures of Norwegian Kings and Queens, gave the ship the appearance of a Norwegian.

Describes Raider's Approach

Capt. Smith learned that, while cruising in the Atlantic, 13 ships, valued by the Germans at 60,000,000 marks, were captured, and four in the Pacific—the R. C. Slade, the American schooner A. B. Johnson, the American schooner Manila and the French schooner Lutece.

Relating the story of the capture of his ship, the Slade, Capt. Smith said:

"I left Sydney on April 24, 1917, and proceeded without any incident until the evening of June 17, when I was in latitude about 2 north and longitude 150 west. On the evening of June 17, about 5 o'clock, the second mate reported to me that a ship was firing on us. I went on deck and looked aft, and instantly, as I went on deck, they fired again, and I saw the shell fall short about two miles. She was about eight miles off. There was a heavy squall starting to eastward—wind favorable to this time—and I thought it possible to get away and kept holding on. But hse kept firing on me at intervals of about five to 10 minutes, and was coming up on me fast:.

"The ninth shot, fired about 6 o'clock, struck very close, passing the poop and splashing water on the ship. Then I concluded that there wasn't any use, and I lowered down spanker, clewed down topsail, hoisted the American flag and hove to. About 7 o'clock the raider was up alongside and asked what ship. I told him what it was, and he told me to lower down sails and stand by, and he would send an officer aboard me. Shortly after, the prize officer came aboard and a doctor and about 10 men. These officers were in uniform. They told me to leave the ship and to go on board the raider, and they would give me time in the morning to pack my clothes.

Ship Fired at Both Ends

"They took all our men aboard the raider except the cook. Next morning I went back on board with all my men and packed up. We left the ship with our belongings, June 18. We were put on board the raider again. Shortly after I saw from the raider that they had cut holes in the masts and placed dynamite bombs in each mast and put fire to both ends of the ship and left her. I saw the masts go over the side and the ship was burning from end to end and the raider steamed away."

Capt. Smith said the raider was a full-rigged ship of steel or iron, about 2,300 tons, propelled by oil-burning engines. Her captain was Felix Graf von Luckner, active Captain Lieutenant; the First Lieutenant, Alfred Kling; prize officer, Richard Pless. There also was a chief engineer, a navigating Lieutenant, a mate and a doctor. All told, her complement was 68 officers and men. Mounted between decks, she carried two 4-inch guns (10.5 centimeters) and two machine guns. The name on her bow was Irma.

When the men from the Slade arrived aboard the raider they found nine prisoners from the American schooner A. B. Johnson of San Francisco, captured three days before. On July 8, Smith stated, the schooner Manila was captured and dynamited after the 100 officers and men had been taken off. Aboard the See Adler, he said, was a Hollander who had been taken off the first ship captured and was kept aboard because he had made an insulting remark to the captain about German money.

See Adler Abandoned

For about three weeks the raider kept beating up and down looking for passing ships. Meeting none, they went south to Mopeha on July 31, anchored on the lee side of the island and on August 2 the ship was driven hard and fast ashore. The three American captains had gone ashore with the German officers on a picnic and the prisoners were left on the ship. Cannon were fired to tell the party the ship was in danger, but when they returned they found the propeller twisted on the coral reefs and the vessel beyond help. After working all afternoon they gave her up for lost and took ashore everything they could move, including the boats, gear and wireless. The wireless plant, a very powerful one, was set up between two cocoanut trees. It was equipped with sending and receiving apparatus and without difficulty they were able to hear Pago Pago, Tahiti and Honolulu.

On August 23, Capt. Smith related, the German officers fitted up and armed a small boat and started for the Cook Islands or the Fiji Islands, where they hoped to capture an American ship and come back for the crew. Count von Luckner, the master, was in charge. They were never heard of again at Mopeha Island.

After their departure, wireless messages in code from Pago Pago to the American Consul were intercepted and the German crew believed the Count had been captured. On September 5 a French trading schooner from Papeete, the Lutece, put in at the island. First Lieutenant Kling took a motor boat and machine-gun and captured the ship. She had a large cargo of flour, salmon and beef and a supply of water. Kling and his crew dismantled the wireless plant and left the island in the Lutece that night, leaving 48 souls, including the Americans, the crew of the French trader and four natives of the island, Scant provisions, and bad at that, were left them. They found a few cocoanuts but the great number of rats on the island destroyed them. There was plenty of fish and turtles.

A small boat had been left behind and the marooned men fitted it up. The captain of the Manila, with a small crew, started out in the boat for Tahiti on September 8. They failed to reach Tahiti and returned exhausted on September 16. Capt. Smith, with three men, took the small boat and managed to reach Pago Pago 10 days later.

Capt. Smith said that after the See Adler was abandoned the Germans used dynamite to destroy the ship's masts so that passing vessels might not sight them. They were unable to sink the Manila, as she was loaded with lumber, and the derelict now probably is a menace to navigation. Although the See Adler may be a wreck, it is possible that her guns still are in condition to be used.

Forty-four persons still are on Mopeha Island, but Capt. Smith said they were not in immediate danger of starvation. There are turtles and fish on the island, he said, and the water, while brackish, is not dangerous. The only danger, he said, is of sickness. One man had gangrene when he left. Some medicine was left, but he doubted that the survivors knew how to use it.

Recent despatches indicate that the captain of the See Adler and five of his crew were captured on September 21 off the Fiji Islands by Fijian constabulary. What became of the men who left Mopeha Island in the Lutece is not known.

Application On Enemy Pilots Up In British Supreme Court

Hearing Fixed For Jan. 7; Westphal, King & Ramsay Decision Is, 'No Jurisdiction At Present'

In the British Supreme Court yesterday, His Honor Judge Sir Havilland de Sausmarez heard an application in the case entitled "In the matter of the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) Act, 1914." "In the matter of T. W. F. Mammen, H. R. Abrens, H. Janniche and H. C. F. Kalkofen, all enemies within the said Act." Those named were pilots and members of the Shanghai Licensed Pilots' Association and Shareholders of the Shanghai Pilot Boat Co., and the applications was on behalf of the Secretary of the Pilot Boat Co., who also is manager of the Pilots' Association.

Mr. J. Hays appeared in support of the application and Mr. G. W. King as Custodian of Enemy property.

The Court—Do you propose to ask the court to proceed without serving them or without notice to them?

Mr. Hays—On that point I beg your Lordship's leave to read Rule 6A of the Trading with the Enemy (Vesting and Application of Property) Rules, 1915, which say:—

"6. (a) Any application under this Act whether original, subsequent or other may be proceeded with, heard and dealt with by the Court or a judge if thought fit in the absence of an enemy or any other party who may be or appear to be abroad or whose whereabouts may not be known or whose presence may otherwise be difficult to secure and without service of any summons or notice of summons on any such party or any intimation to such party other than such if any as the Court shall think fit. And this sub-rule shall be in addition to and by way of extension and enlargement of the ordinary powers and practice of the Court as to proceedings ex parte and as to substituted service."

The Court—The Companies do not appear?

Mr. Hays—No, they are not interested; only the Secretary himself. It is with regard to the provision in rule 6A that I should like to make some remarks to your Lordship. It seems there is no doubt whatever that these persons, although they may be, and I understand they all are, at the present time in China, and territorially or extraterritorially speaking they are, within the jurisdiction of the court. They nevertheless cannot be summoned here, as they are not amenable to the jurisdiction.

The Court—It is a question of giving them notice of the proceedings.

Mr. Hays—The rules, from the cases cited in the White Book, Annual Practice, 1917, seem to me to clearly go to show that, in the case of a writ of summons or an originating summons, a notice of the proceedings is all that is necessary to be given. Starting then with that assumption it might be necessary, before these proceedings could be continued, that service should be effected upon them as your Lordship should direct, and if your Lordship would give those directions and, in a sense, treat this as a summons for directions, I shall be obliged.

The Court—I am quite prepared, if you ask me to do so, to consider what the proper course is.

After referring to Order 11, rule 6, the judge said there was no doubt about it that in all cases where an enemy was residing in England he would be served with a copy of the summons and he would appear or not as he liked. He thought there was no doubt that that was the practice in England, and if that was so the only thing for them to do here was to act as near to it as they could.

Mr. Hays referred the Court to Rules 6, 8 and 8A of Order 11.

The Court—There is a difficulty here because these gentlemen are not in the position of defendants. If they were defendants this court could hardly take any jurisdiction over them. But the position is this: We are considering certain property which is in the hands of British subjects on which probably a liability to these people arises, and if they can have notice of the application, so that they may intervene if they have the right, I think they ought to have it.

Mr. Hays, after referring to Order 11, Rule 1, said the Custodian of Enemy Property had been served with notice of these proceedings in accordance with the Rules. The practice, he added, applied as laid down in the case of La Compagnie General D'Eaux Minerales et Bain de Mer (3 Chancery Div., 1891, page 451), and other cases on the point.

The Court—It seems to me that the practice in England is undoubtedly clear and that where an enemy can be given notice of an application such as this, such notice is given. In England, if he is resident there, of course he would be served with a summons. In China of course the position is different, but I think that an enemy whose property is going to be dealt with should, if he is resident here, have notice so that he may appear as he would in any court in England and be heard in respect of the property, if he is so interested in it that he is entitled to a hearing. As this is a matter which might possibly be open to doubt and which might be commented upon adversely by people here, I may say here that I think this is a case in which a member of the profession might very well accept a retainer and appear, because it is of great assistance to the court, in administering justice, that it should have all the sides of such a question as this before it. What I propose to do is this: If you, Mr. Hays, will supply the Registrar with a sufficient number of copies I will send them, with a communication, to the Netherlands Consul-General who is in charge of German interests, asking him to notify these particular people by sending them a copy of the summons and informing him also of the date on which the application will be renewed.

His Lordship added that this was a matter which he would take in Court. He would fix the date of the adjournment for Monday, January 7.

Decision In W. A. Westphal Case

In the same Court, the Chief Judge, Sir Havilland de Sausmarez, delivered the following decision in a case entitled "Re W. A. Westphal and others":—

This judgment has been held over to allow the applicators to consider their position; as no steps have been taken it is necessary to proceed. The application is to vest the property of certain enemy shareholders in the China company, Westphal, King and Ramsay, Limited, in the officer appointed by the Secretary of State for the purposes of the Enemy Trading Acts.

The question is purely one of jurisdiction; therefore whether a Court in England, which obviously has jurisdiction, would make such an order is immaterial. I have not now to consider the question of expediency, though I have little doubt I should make the order if I had power. The Court has jurisdiction over British persons, including corporations, their property and their personal and proprietary rights. It is asked to say that it has jurisdiction in respect of Germans' proprietary rights in shares in a China company. The fact that the company is British is not in my opinion enough to give the Court jurisdiction over such property, for shares are the property of the shareholder.

The cases where this Court would probably make a vesting order in the case of shares in British companies held by enemy subjects were referred to in In re Praschma and to a certain extent explained in the case of In re Krantz; in the latter case the order was made not because the shares which formed part of Krantz's property could be called the property of the companies, but because the liability of a British subject in respect of these was within the jurisdiction of the Court.

In the present case no liability in respect of shares is in question. The company want the order because they contemplate liquidation in order to get rid of the German shareholders by reconstruction. Nothing, however, has been done to alter the position of the company and its shareholders in respect of their shares. There is no debt from the company to the shareholders in respect of its capital, nor has any liability of the Company or any other British subject arisen.

Were the company in liquidation the position would be altered and that suggested in In re Praschma would be reached. The company would be in course of reconstruction. The position would be altered because the time would have come when it became necessary to ascertain the financial position of the company and the rights of the shareholders, or the liability between it and its shareholders in respect of the share capital would have arisen. When that position arises the question may be considered; at present the Court has no jurisdiction to consider it.

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SECOND GAME TODAY IN AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Shanghai Athletic Club To Play Sailors On S.C.C. Ground At 2.30

American football makes its second appearance of the season this afternoon when the Shanghai Athletic Club team and the sailors' eleven will line up on the Cricket Club field.

It is expected that today's clash will be a more even affair than was the Thanksgiving Day contest, when the tars were walloped, 38 to 0. The landsmen, though they have been at rehearsal for a week and have added a few new plays to their repertoire, are no stronger than they were for the first game—if they are as strong. The sailors on the other hand have been hard at it on the practice field for weeks and besides getting into husky shape for the tussle are rumored to have mastered a style of play that may cause their opponents considerable astonishment.

The whistle will blow for the kick-off at 2.30 sharp. Admission is free.

The probable line-up of the Shanghai team is: Bradley, center; Ashley, Snyder, Roberts, guards; Kulp and Tinkham, tackles; Budell and Wilhoit, ends; Gold, quarter-back; Gardner, full-back; Rodger and Merrill, halves.

No tentative list of positions for the sailors is available, but it is thought they will line up about as in the first game.

Hockey

One league hockey match is scheduled for today, the Harlequins being billed to meet the Portuguese at the Widow's Monument grounds at 2.45 p.m. A second game, between "B" Company and the Sikhs, was on the cards but was postponed owing to the former team having to appear at the Rifle Range.

The following will represent the Harlequins: G. O. Jackson, H. W. P. McMeekin, J. S. Agassiz, F. S. Turner, H. M. Mann, J. R. Maughan, J. F. Cale, W. T. Bertenshaw P. Ayres, S. Ellis and A. Heal.

Mr. W. E. Fairburn will referee.

Shooting

Scots Take Triangle Meet

The Shanghai Scottish gathered in the laurels in the triangular shooting match held yesterday morning on the Range, "A" Co., British, last year's victors, being relegated to second place. Pte. Bloom, of the winners, shot high gun, amassing a total of 88, with 32 at the 600 yard range.

The match was held under the Bisley conditions, one sighter and 7 scoring shots at the 200, 500 and 600 yard marks. Teams consisted of ten men. Capt. Rutherford captained the Scottish, Lieut. Monk, "A" Co. and 2nd Lieut. Melville, "B" Co.

The aggregates were:

S'hai Scottish total points scored..782
"A" Co. British do ..746
"B" Co. British do ..653

Cpl. Hodges of "A" Co. equaled Pte. Bloom's record of 88, but had only 29 at the last range.

Scottish Cup Competition

Below are the results of the Shanghai Scottish monthly cup competition. The conditoins were 300 yards with one sighter and five rounds deliberate and five rounds rapid fire.

"A" Class.	Slow.	Rapid.	Total.	H'cap.	Net.
*Pte. C. E. M. Thompson ..	19	15	34	7%	31.62
†Cpl. K. McKelvie	16	18	34	8.50%	31.11
Lt. G. L. Campbell	18	15	33	7%	30.69
Pte. J. Macheth	18	15	33	8.59%	30.11

*Winner of Cup. Future handicap 8.50%.
†Winner of Spoon.

"B" Class.

*Cpl. N. C. Wilson	10	12	22	—	22
Pte. W. G. Cameron ...	10	7	17	—	17
Pte. D. Mackintosh	9	8	17	—	17

*First leg on cup; also winner of spoon. Future handicap 4.25%.

"C" Class.

*Drummer T. Pearson	10	7	17	—	17
Pte. J. Martin.	11	6	17	—	17

*Winner of spoon. Future handicap 4.25%.

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Today's Football

S.F.C. v. Recreation Club

In the first division of the Football League the Shanghai Football Club and the Recreation Club elevens will meet today on the S.F.C. ground. The kick-off will be at 2.30 sharp. Following are the line-ups:

S.F.C.—L. Bertes, P. Isherwood, A. Loonis, G. Craigie Ross, M. Tonkin (Capt.), F. R. Gabbott, B. T. Hollander, W. C. G. Clifford, T. R. Macdonald, G. F. Lindsay, A. H. Leslie.

S.R.C.—A. H. Remedios, F. England, E. Turner, B. H. Smith, T. Wigton, (Capt.) A. M. A. Hansen, A. V. White, L. P. Quincy, A. Sofoulis, H. Macfarlane, E. J. Cooke.

Mr. Quayle will referee.

S.F.C. 2nd Team v. St. Xavier's

The Shanghai Football Club 2nd eleven and the St. Xavier's Club 2nd eleven meet in a league match at 2.30 this afternoon on the Widow's Monument grounds, Race Course. The teams will be:

S.F.C. 2nds.—J. Thayer, J. E. Bauld, J. H. Johns, D. Arthur, H. H. Morriss (Capt.), C. Butland, E. M. Carisio, W. F. Ratcliff, E. A. Brodie, S. T. Clark, A. N. Other.

St. Xavier's 2nds.—H. Carry, A. Gordes, H. Favacho, V. Favacho, F. Dixon, F. Gutierrez, Sr., J. Gutierrez, P. Xavier, (Capt.), F. Gutierrez, Jr., G. Silva, T. Murray. Reserve:—D. Vega, W. Murray.

Mr. Crookdake will referee.

Willows v. Socony

The Willows Football Club eleven takes on the Socony Club at Hongkew Recreation Ground today at 2.45 p.m.

The following will represent the Willows:—D. Sequeira, E. Schneider, J. Collaco, N. Collaco, C. Whitman, A. Almeida, A. Maitland, C. Sofoulis, C. Ozorio, (Capt.), R. Maitland and H. Corte-Real.

The following will represent Socony:—B. A. Shirazee, J. Stellingwerff, P. Oliveros, J. Harvey, V. F. Maher, H. Champney, J. G. Harrison, H. J. Sanft, E. F. Mears, C. Passos, and W. J. Noodt. Reserves:—H. Wilson, L. d'Almeida.

Boxing Day Line-Ups

The line-ups have been selected for the charity football match to be played on Boxing Day between the Shanghai Recreation Club and the Rest of Shanghai.

The teams will be:—

S.R.C.:—Goal, A. H. Remedios; Backs, H. R. Ollerdessen and A. L. Biggs; Half-backs, E. Turner, T. Wigton (Capt.) and A. M. A. Hansen; Forwards, J. L. Wade, A. Sofoulis, R. J. S. Brandt, J. Quayle and J. Robertson.

Rest:—Goal, A. F. Wheen; Backs, P. Oliveros and M. Tonkin; Half-backs, D. Campbell, V. Elliot and P. Isherwood; Forwards, H. N. Olsen, T. Watson, S. Gioulis, W. C. G. Clifford and A. H. Leslie.

MILLION TESTAMENTS FOR NATIONAL ARMY

Business Men's War Council Begins Drive From Movement Started Here

With the object of furnishing 1,000,000 pocket Testaments to the soldiers of the American National Army, a business men's war council has been organised to enlist the interest of churches throughout the United States in the movement.

Joseph M. Steele is chairman of the Philadelphia committee, out of which the country-wide movement originated. Allan Sutherland is secretary and J. Louis Twaddell treasurer. An effort will be made to have the churches there supply 100,000 Testaments.

The plan is to have each church furnish an entire company of 250 men with pocket Testaments. The cost about $75. Three congregations of Philadelphia and nearby have undertaken to furnish pocket Bibles to 500 men. They are the Oxford Presbyterian, Broad and Oxford streets' the Third Presbyterian, Chester, and the Swarthmore Presbyterian Church.

Men in the cantonments are eager to get the pocket Testaments, and willingly sign a pledge to read a chapter a day. At Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga, Chaplain C. P. Futcher, of what was formerly the First Regiment, N. G. P., but now known as the 109th Regiment, has signed up fifty-one of the fifty-two line officers and 1,700 men. Three hundred Testaments for the Nineteenth Engineer Corps were quickly exhausted and 500 more were promptly forwarded from London.

Charles M. Alexander, the singing evangelist, is making a tour of the cantonments signing up men for pocket Testaments, and George T. B. Davis is on a trip through the South on the same errand. Davis "signed up" thousands of British soldiers in the English training camps before America got into the war.

U.S. HAS GIVEN FRANCE SHIPS OF 230,000 TONS

French Commissioner In America Shows Results Of His Work In Obtaining Tonnage

Paris, Dec. 9.—M. Tardieu, the French High Commissioner in the United States, interviewed by the Matin, showed what work had been accomplished by him in view of increasing the French tonnage for trans-Atlantic transportation. He stated that within the last six months he had obtained from the United States Government, for immediate use, a total of 230,000 tons, either in ships under the American or under the French flag.

A notable part of this had been furnished by German vessels confiscated in United States harbors. Besides this a further increase of 285,000 tons will be available in 1918, which means a total increase of 515,000 tons at the disposal of French shipping next year.

Dr. Fischer Is Ordered To Repay Fee To Court

Tls. 300 Received From Client By Austrian Lawyer To Be Turned Over

Dr. J. O. Fischer, Austrian lawyer, appeared in the Mixed Court yesterday to explain the matter of a fee paid him last August by two Chinese who wished a rehearing for a third party in an opium case.

According to evidence given last week, when the two Chinese came before Assessor Byrne and Magistrate Yui, charged with taking the money under false pretenses, the amount was Tls. 500, which was demanded back by the original owner when nothing was heard of the rehearing.

Dr. Fischer explained that he was retained by the two men on August 2. The Assessor to whom the petition was to be made was away and when he returned, on August 22, Dr. Fischer was suspended from practice because of his nationality. Dr. Fischer said he knew nothing of Tls. 100 paid his interpreter and actually received only Tls. 300, though he signed a receipt for Tls. 500. He now understood that the two Chinese and King Vung-pao, the interpreter, got the rest. The court ordered that Dr. Fischer pay the Tls. 300 into court within 24 hours, to which the lawyer objected, stating he was willing to stand civil action in the matter.

Dr. Fischer stated that he had applied to the Chinese authorities for reinstatement in the Mixed Court and it had been granted, but he could not practise until he got the consent of the Consular Body.

Dr. H. C. Mei testified that he had received Tls. 100 from King Vung-pao and had had many interviews with Dr. Fischer over the remainder of the amount.

A remand was ordered in the case.

91,900 PCT. PREMIUM AT LONDON STOCK SALE

Record Set By 150 Founders' Shares Of Bengal Steel Company

London, Oct. 18.—A few days ago the £1 founders' shares of the Bengal Iron and Steel Company changed hands in the London Stock Exchange at 920. This is a premium of 91,900 per cent, and probably has no parallel in joint stock company history. The founders' shares have as yet received no dividend, and a few years ago their prospects of receiving a return seemed exceedingly remote, but fortune has recently smiled on the undertaking, more particularly during the war period, and the time is judged to be near when this part of the capital will participate freely in the high profits which are being earned.

The founders' shares are only 150 in number, but they are entitled to one-third of the net earnings after the payment of a cumulative dividend of 10 per cent on the ordinary shares, the amount of which in issue is £224,850.

The concern was formed in 1889, and has had a very erratic financial career. At one time its preference dividend fell behind, while even in the relatively prosperous years much less than 10 per cent was often provided on the ordinary shares. But rapid strides are now being made, and the time should be approaching when the cumulative payment of 10 per cent over the entire existence of the company will have been met.

At £920 each the founders' shares have a market value of £135,000, and it is possible that in due course a scheme may be propounded for buying out the interests of the holders by giving them shares not entitled to these special rights. Founders' shares were at one time a very popular form of capital, but they constitute an unsound type of finance, as their existence stands in the way of the prudent handling of profits.

PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATION

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—The House of Lords has passed the second reading of the Representation of the People Bill.



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WEATHER

Very cloudy, gloomy and misty weather. Threats of rain or snow in the Central and Northern Districts. Fresh to strong monsoon along the whole coast.

DEATH

DOLLAR: On December 21, 1917, at 20 Route Pottier, Shanghai, Bessie M. Dollar, aged 41 years. The funeral (cremation) will take place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery, today, December 22, 1917, at 5 p.m. All friends are invited to attend.

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IMPARTIAL AND PROGRESSIVE

SHANGHAI, DECEMBER 22, 1917

The Irish Fellowship Club's Warning

THE Irish Fellowship Club of Chicago, which according to yesterday's cables has just hurled a bomb into the camp of the Sinn Feiners, is the most distinguished, and in leadership the most influential, organisation of Irishmen in America. The membership is made up of leading Chicago lawyers, physicians, politicians, journalists, poets, financiers and businessmen of Celtic extraction, men who have carved out fame and fortune by sheer grit and ability in their chosen walks of life.

This great club has adopted a declaration which sets forth the sentiment that "any Irishman seeking to embarrass any Ally in the conduct of the war commits an act of open hostility to the United States." After submission to the various Irish organisations of the United States the resolution is to be forwarded to Ireland where, if we may judge by reports appearing in the latest London newspapers received here, some such sobering word from their own kith and kin abroad is sadly needed.

That other Irish organisations in America probably will uphold the cause affirmed by the Irish Fellowship Club is indicated by the action taken a month ago by the branch of the United Irish League at Lowell, Massachusetts, which we publish this morning. The Irishmen of Lowell decided, on November 18, that the time had come for the Irishmen of all America, who already had given their sons to the American army in a cause just and dear to them, to utter a clear and not-to-be-mistaken warning to their brothers in Ireland that they must not rear up any obstacles to the success of the American army and its Allies, and in their view the present ill-timed agitation if not promptly abandoned would become just such an obstacle; it would detain British troops in Ireland whose presence at the front in France is a matter of vital concern to the Allies.

In the last analysis these declarations by the Irish Fellowship Club and the Lowell Irishmen mean that De Valera and his obscure and mysterious financial supporters who have kicked up the present row in Ireland will have to climb down or else forfeit the support not only of all the Irishmen of America but of all other Americans, and America as a whole has not been more friendly to herself in the past than she has been to Ireland.

The Iron Backbone of Alsace-Lorraine

(By S. Brooks in the North American Review)

WHEN Moltke in 1870 insisted upon, and Bismarck against his better judgment assented to, the annexation of Alsace-Lorraine, the main thought in their minds was that of securing a strategic frontier. They got, though they did not know it at the time, something far more valuable than that, something that has proved the base on which Germany has built up her towering fabric of prosperity and power, something without which Germany could not have begun this war or could not have waged it for six months. They secured the largest deposit of iron ore in Europe and the second largest in the world, surpassed in value and extent only by the Lake Superior deposit in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. The soil of the lost provinces has made Germany's fortunes. She has derived from it her metallurgical ascendancy, the motive power for her industries, her wealth, and as a consequence her naval, military and political power.

The area covered by this deposit embraces the Longwy and Briey districts in France, now occupied by the German armies, and parts of German Lorraine, of Luxemburg and of Belgium, also for the moment in German possession. If Germany could secure a peace based on her present military position the whole of this wealth of iron ore, estimated at some 5 billion tons, would pass under her control. As it is, rather more than half the deposit is supposed to lie on the French side of the border and rather less than half in German Lorraine and Luxemburg. That being so, it may be asked why Germany in 1870 did not annex the entire ore yielding area instead of allowing it to be divided between France and herself.

The answer is that she would undoubtedly have done so had she realised the value of her treasure trove. But forty-seven years ago metallurgists generally regarded phosphoric ores, which formed the greater part of the Lorraine strata, as worthless and unworkable. The Germans seized everything that in the then state of science was known to be profitable and relinquished the rest to the French.

Without the production of the provinces she snatched from France forty-seven years ago Germany would long since have exhausted her capacity for turning out the material of war. Liberate those provinces from her clutch—with their 21 million tons of iron ore a year, their 19 million tons of iron smeltings, their 19 million tons of steel smeltings, and the useful coal field of the Sarre Valley—and a long step has been taken towards binding her down to peace.

Suppose Germany were to win and were to annex the greater half of the ferruginous basin that lies on French soil. Territorially it would be a very small acquisition. Economically its value would be inestimable. It would mean that after the war Germany would be able to raise some 46 million tons of iron ore a year, while the French output would be reduced to a bare 4 million tons.

In the fate of Alsace-Lorraine there is involved nothing less than the industrial primacy of Europe.

Two Mental Processes

Sharp Distinction Between Ear-Minds And Eye-Minds

In the psychology of pedagogy it has been recognised for some time that there are two distinct types of mental processes. There are "ear" minds and "eye" minds. In a great many instances, undoubtedly, there is something of a combination of the two, but even then one of the two is likely to be dominant. In almost every process of cerebration one's mind either sees or hears what one is thinking about.

It is undoubtedly because of this working peculiarity of the brain that a person may have quick perceptions in some particulars, while being rather dull in others. Take the case of a rapid reader, for instance. He has the eye mind and is thereby able to get the sense of whole lines and even paragraphs at a glance. It is not so much that the words produce definite pictures in his mind, but his power of quick visualisation sweeps in the words in groups and instantaneously impresses their significance. The ear mind is compelled to take in every word by itself, and each unit of significance must make its impression in order for the mind to appreciate the sense of the whole. The ear mind, perforce, does its reading slowly, word for word. The printed page virtually has to be translated into a mentally audible speech for the ear mind to take in its significance.

Unquestionably the ear-minded person should be, and usually is, able to develop the eye mind. The mental tendencies are sometimes so strong that they can be overcome only with difficulty, but it is important to remember that all of us are ear-minded to begin with. The human race used spoken words many centuries before visible symbols were invented to transmit ideas without audible speech, and this evolutionary process is still being repeated. The child acquires quite an extensive vocabulary several years before he gains any working knowledge of written or printed word symbols. And for some years more, we may believe in the case of the average child, he does his reading with his ear mind. Perhaps the average age at which the eye mind begins to develop in this matter of reading is rather uncertain. The general capacity for visualisation of ideas, of course, begins to build up soon after the ear mind becomes active.

In certain forms of reading one must have the dual ear-and-eye mind in order to enjoy a full appreciation. This is true to some extent in fiction, and still more so in the reading of a play. Probably this is the reason why so many persons cannot read plays with any pleasure. It is usually said that they are lacking in imagination or in the power to visualise the scenes from the words on the printed page. But we may conjecture that their failure is due rather to their lack of an ear mind. It is essential that they should be able to hear with their mental ears the speech of the various characters. This is necessary, too, to a proper appreciation of poetry. The eye alone cannot translate the effect of the rhythmic cadences.

In a well-balanced makeup, of course, the ear mind and the eye mind must be equally developed. Mental blindness and deafness are afflictions that in the full enjoyment of life are only a little less deplorable than the corresponding physical infirmities. It is cheering to reflect that in the great majority of cases either weakness may be largely overcome, and the curing of these two fairly common infirmities is a matter that deserves the careful study of educators. Ear-minded persons need the training of their eye minds, and vice versa.—*Providence Journal.*

'Hold 'Em, Yale!'

By Damon Runyon

(Five hundred undergraduates of Yale University hold, or are potential holders of, commissions in the United States Service.—News Item).

There's a Bowl in old New Haven.
(There's seventy thousand paid.)
The sun looks down on a pop-eyed town
On the day that The Game is played.
"Hip!"
The signal passes!
"Hip! Hip!"
The ball flips true!
There's a whirl, and a swirl,
And the lean-flanked backs
In the jerseys blue plunge through!
Hark! There's a song from the bleachers!
Hark! It's the old, old hail—
"Bulldog! Bulldog!
Bow-wow-wow!
Eli Yale!"

There's a storm ripped stretch of ocean
Where the Dutchman's U-boats trade.
There's a young patrol from the big, round Bowl
On the day that The Game is played.
"Aim!"
The signal passes!
"Fire!"
The shot goes true!
There's a swish, and a swash,
And a gurgling squash
As the lean-flanked backs drive through!
Hark! There's a song on the water
That floats from the victors' rail—
"Bulldog! Bulldog!
Bow-wow-wow!
Eli Yale!"

There's a mud-clogged field in Flanders,
There's a trench by shrapnel flayed,
Where the doughboys blink at the dawn's first wink
On the day that The Game is played.
"Hup!"
The signal passes!
"Let's go!"
The light turns blue!
There's a splash, and a crash
And a long, long smash
As the lean-flanked backs drive through!
Hark! That's a song of triumph!
Hark! That's the old, old hail—
"Bulldog! Bulldog!
Bow-wow-wow!
Eli Yale!"

There's a street in old New Haven
That the sighing elm trees shade.
And they sigh, perhaps, for the lean-flanked chaps
Of the day when The Game was played.
"Come!"
The signal carried!
"Come! Come!
The Flag needs you!"
Oh, a nation stirred at the magic word,
And the backs came plunging through.
Hark! That's a song from the nation!
Hark! That's a proud, proud hail—
"Bulldog! Bulldog!
Bow-wow-wow!
Eli Yale!"

LITERATURE IN THE MOVIES

By Frederic J. Haskin

"Do you go to the movies?" a well-known American author was asked not long ago. "Never!" replied he emphatically. "I might see a screen version of one of my books."

This illustrates the way many authors now feel about the picturising of their novels. It seems that in the offices of the moving picture companies extraordinary liberties are taken with the original manuscript. A character is cut out here; another is inserted there; broad and sweeping changes are made in the plot, and time-worn but successful comedy tricks inserted.

If the ending is not "happy" a new ending is immediately constructed for it. Then the director and the stars are called in for a consultation. Perhaps an actor is known for his athletic stunts, his ability to look comfortable in a dress suit, his artistic lovemaking or his "million dollar" grin. The text must be changed so that he can use his special talent. Or perhaps the actress is famous for her smile, her evening costumes, her coquettish gestures or her floods of tears. More changes. Then there is the director who believes that there is nothing like introducing a domestic animal to get a good effect. Cannot the scenario writer change a couple of scenes so that the company's new cow may be exhibited in the background?

Again, there is the scene with the Indian. That is all wrong. The scenario writer knows that all Indians should wear a headdress and a loincloth and carry a blanket. No audience would recognise an Indian fully clothed in doeskin. So it goes on until the finished picture bears about as much resemblance to the original manuscript as "Alice in Wonderland" bears to "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Since such procedure is common, due credit must be given to those companies which do strive to keep intact the general plot and atmosphere of the original story. There are such companies, of course. In picturising one of Bret Harte's stories, one moving picture company even went so far as to construct a whole street of a mining town in exact accordance with the author's description. The post office, the saloon, the habitats of the various characters were all there as Bret Harte depicted them. And, although the story was followed with painstaking detail, it was a great success with the public—which shows that the additions of the scenario writer are not always necessary.

Other instances might be quoted to prove that the moving picture industry [illegible]lly lacking in artistic conse[illegible]ness. Alfred Henry Lewis' stories, for example, have been produced without any weird excrescences, and there are doubtless many others who have not suffered greatly by the transfer to scenario form. But fancy the perturbation of the late Victor Hugo if that great author had lived to see his Hunchback of Notre Dame cured by an operation in the movies and married to a beautiful brand-new heroine of the scenario writer's own creation. Yet that is what happend to the "Hunchback of Notre Dame" in the scenario room.

As a matter of fact, the scenario writer is not to blame. It is the mad hurry and overproduction of the moving picture business which countenance such atrocities. The scenario writer is a long-suffering individual himself, bearing a much greater burden than either his qualifications or his salary entitled him to bear. Three years ago, he was earning $25 a week, and was supposed to turn out a complete scenario every seven days. Now he is paid from $100 to $150 a week, and the rate of production remains the same. Only a little while ago, a short story writer in New York was offered the latter salary to put into scenario form one famous novel a week.

Under these circumstances, the scenario writer is paid very little in proportion to the total cost of a picture for which, under present conditions, he is most responsible. This is usually what happens: The author or the playwright is paid about one thousand dollars for the picture rights to his novel or play, with 10 per cent royalties on all receipts. The moving picture company now secures the necessary actors at fabulous salaries; thousands of dollars are spent in producing scenery for it; then the manuscript is turned over to a hack scenario writer, who is pounding out scenarios of famous novels by the week. This man puts it into what he calls "picture form."

When he has finished with it, the scenario is handed to one of the four or five directors on the company's staff. From then on the responsibility of the scenario man ends, unless the manuscript should be sent back for important changes in the plot. It is now the director's turn. A moving picture director is one of the greatest autocrats in our industrial life. What he says goes. It is for him to interpret that novel or play exactly as he pleases, always with half of his mind on the number of feet of film to be allowed for each scene and the commercial advantages of following conventional "registers."

Certain things, having been tried out and found successful with the public, have now been incorporated into the movie technique and must not be overlooked. The hero, for instance, in the midst of a crowded ballroom, suddenly becomes rigid and stares sadly off into space, then smiles, tenderly reminiscent. Simultaneously in the upper right hand corner appears a slide f the heroine as he has last seen her in a checkered gingham apron, standing beside the dear old village pump and waving her sunbonnet at him. By the next picture one also learns that the heroine is thinking of the hero. She, too, is staring into space and wearing a forlorn meditative expression, while the slide in the upper corner shows the hero, in chic riding breeches gallantly carrying the heroine's sunbonnet for her. The orchestra helps out the subtitles by playing "Are you Sincere?" and the audience is immediately seized with the dreadful suspicion that perhaps the hero isn't.

This was one of the stock-in-trade bits when the movies first started, but it is still being used with faithful persistency in many pictures. Another movie convention which must not be neglected is the scene entitled: "Love at First Sight." This is served up in the same form through hundreds of different pictures from "Nell, the Brewer's Daughter" to "Anthony and Cleopatra." A movie fan can shut his eyes during this scene and still tell you exactly what happens. The hero and heroine approach from different directions, accompanied by someone who introduces them—although this is not necessary. The audience at once perceives that this is an electrical moment. The hero and the heroine stand spellbound, gazing into each other's eyes for at least thirty seconds. Then the heroine is suddenly covered with confusion, lowers her head and demurely withdraws her hand which the hero has been steadily holding.

Is it any wonder that most authors shrink from seeing their characters on the screen?

Of course, it must be admitted that the moving picture is handicapped by certain mechanical factors. In the first place, the actors must all perform in a limited amount of space. In the midst of the most exciting scenes they must always bear in mind the fact that they must keep within the focus of the camera.

The movie suffers an even greater handicap, in the opinion of most critics, by its lack of the human voice.

For these reasons it has been suggested by some that the real art of the movie lies distinctly away from the picturising of plays and novels. Instead, the industry should have its own writers, writing their own particular type of movie play, which is straight narrative. "Carmen," for instance, which happened to be this type of play was a great success, but suppose an attempt were made to picturise Ibsen's "Ghosts"—a play almost entirely without action.

Thus, while the moving picture industry is painfully in need of more imaginative and intelligent men as directors and scenario writers, it is not fair to pile all the blame on them. What it needs most of all is retrenchment. At the present time on the average of one hundred ordinary films and twenty-five feature films are being released every week, making 6,500 movies a year. This means 6,500 ideas a year, and there are not that many good ideas to be found.

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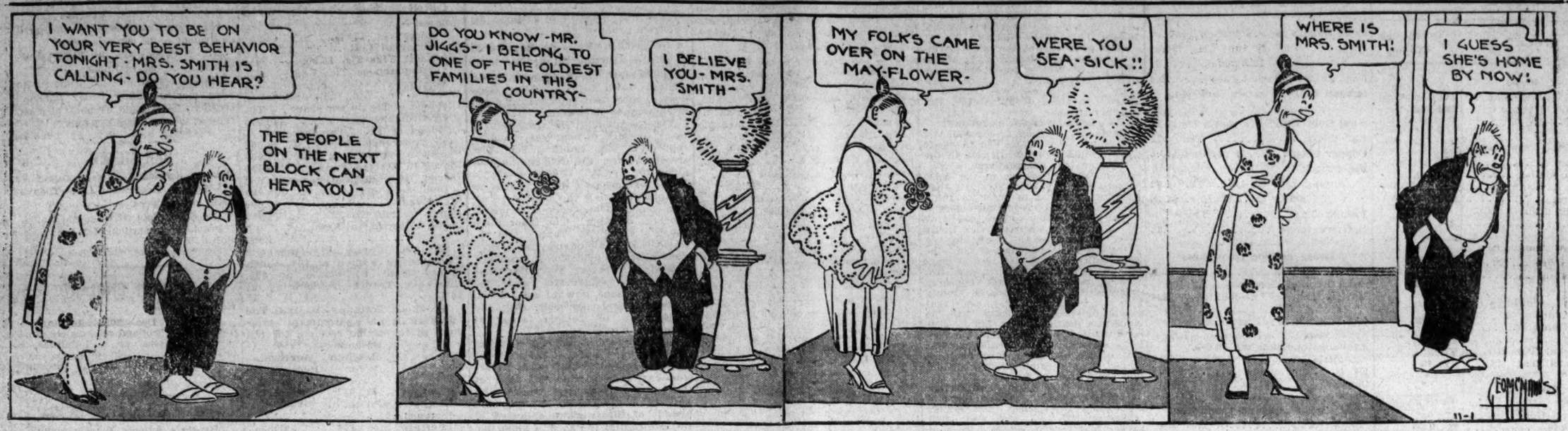
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All Over The World

General Lyautey, already high in the esteem of his fellow countrymen, is showing himself a supporter of feminism in Morocco. His action in appointing Mlle. Suzanne-Marie Renouleau to the post of clerk in the Rabat law courts will be hailed with satisfaction by his fellow countrywomen. Congratulations are due both to General Lyautey, the French coloniser par excellence, and to Mlle. Renouleau, who has already proved her capacities as a "temporary auxiliary."

It is now proposed, in the interest of economy, that powdered be substituted for lump coal, on the ground that increased combustion would thereby be obtained. Just what it would cost to equip the average factory, mercantile building, apartment house or home for the burning of powdered coal is not stated. Neither is any information given as to the time necessary for the foundries to turn out powdered coal-consuming furnaces. Some of those who are so freely proposing things in the interest of economy might do worse for their country than to consult practical economists before making their proposals.

The way in which the Londoner makes the best of his air raids has often been commented on, and one of the latest incidents described is worthy of special recognition. It was not for nothing that the women in a certain district had husbands and sons in the trenches. They knew the protective value of the trench helmet, and, since they had not been supplied with them by the Government, they made good the deficiency themselves. One woman appeared on a balcony, says the writer who records the incident, wearing a big electroplated dish cover on her head. She thought the raid was over, but took that precaution against shrapnel. Another lady, having to cross a square to reach her shelter, also wore a dish cover, with a cushion under it, whilst yet another had a pewter dish as a shield.

Certain of the proceedings of the convention of the New York diocese of the Protestant Episcopal Church, with reference to federal prohibition, were of a character to leave an unfortunate impression. The matter was, however, partly set right, by the almost unanimous adoption of a resolution declaring the unqualified approval and support by the convention of "such measures as the Government shall see fit to take to secure the establishment of national prohibition during the period of the war." Would it be deemed impertinent, by the churchmen who gave this resolution their assent, to ask why the operation of one of the greatest moral reforms ever undertaken in the United States should be limited to any period?

The merits of the new and available, as against those of the old and romantic, form the subject of a dispute between Madrid and Valladolid. It is the old dispute concerning the Simanca archives. Are they to remain in the stern old fortress on the confines of Leon and Castile, their home since the Sixteenth Century, or are they to be moved to Madrid, within easy reach of students of history? A commission of archivists has just reported in favor of the removal. But Valladolid is not likely to give way, and she has many supporters among those who think that preservation of association and atmosphere is worth any amount of inconvenience.

Defenders of the Barnard statue of Lincoln persist in adhering to the position that the sculptor was true to life in depicting the "rail-splitter" President. But the Lincoln the world knows and honors was not a "rail-splitter" President. He was a man who had been a rail-splitter, and who had outgrown rail-splitting years before he became a President, Mr. Barnard may have produced a satisfactory sculptured portrait of a rail-splitter, according to his concept of how a rail-splitter should look, but this is a very different thing from producing a sculptured portrait of Abraham Lincoln as he really looked in the period of his great achievements.

The Council of the Academy of Design of the United States, at a meeting held in New York adopted a resolution intended to dissipate the impression that the replicas offered to France and England of the statue of Lincoln by Mr. Barnard have the approval of artists and art organisations of the United States, and furthermore that, to use the exact language, "the members of this Council, as here assembled, do not consider that the statue adequately portraits Lincoln." "In it," adds the resolution, "we are unable to discern evidence of his genius or humor or of any of those lofty qualities which are invariably associated with his great name." Some such positive repudiation as this was quite necessary, in order that the academy's attitude toward the Barnard statue should not be misrepresented, or remain subject to misrepresentation.

The proprietor of a cafe in a western city of the United States, recognising the value of two things, namely, a good impression and intelligent publicity, causes a cowbell to be rung in his establishment, loudly enough to be heard in all parts of it, whenever a glass of milk is ordered. The scheme is proving a great success. Even the seasoned restaurant patron can be affected by a little touch of nature, combined with a touch of realism, now and then.

Camouflage In th Home

"Camouflage in the home," or the elimination of household uglies, by which cheerfulness instead of depression is diffused, is one of the principal prescriptions advocated and given by a New York physician. His plan, he believes, acts in a more stimulating manner than many drugs, besides having the advantage of being without a reaction.

"Chuck the old junk," is his way of explaining his method. "Get rid of the superannuated furniture or ornamental abominations. They act as a poison in many cases on persons who do not know what is wrong with them.

"Some patients I have attended had imaginary ills and were only suffering from their surroundings. Dark days made the impression more vivid. In cases of illness I have had the patients removed from one room to another just because of the cold, formal and gloomy atmosphere in which they were lying.

"In one room in which a woman was seriously ill was a picture near her bed that could not help having a tendency to lower her vitality and powers of resistance. The picture's title, 'The Last Hour,' gives an idea of its nature. I had the woman removed from the baneful influence of 'The Last Hour' and she immediately began to show improvement. Of course the dismal mahogany bed and furniture had some effect too, as it always does.

"How many times have you gone into a friend's home for a pleasant visit and found yourself ushered into a place designated as 'the drawing room' or 'the parlor'? Immediately your spirits decline as a result of the surroundings and you are likely to start sneezing, as the place is probably airtight and has not been opened since the last visitor was there, such gloomy places being kept only for company."

Many homes, the doctor pointed out, have lost of old stuff which is kept for memory's sake, but which should be got rid of as quickly as possible. Houses of elderly persons or those who have been married long are the worst. Edlerly persons hate to part with anything, but they are the very ones whose failing strength is undermined by the unconscious effect of the hideous household gods.

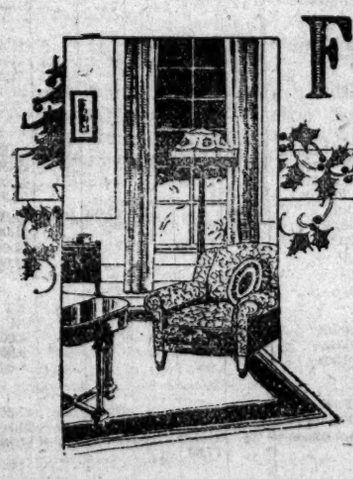
Many old time pictures are especially depressing. In the days when the people were singing "The Ship That Never Returned," "Empty Is the Cradle, Baby's Gone," and similar songs the walls were hung with "Grant's Bedside," "Garfield's Death," "The Retreat from Moscow," and many other pictures historically correct but far from cheering.

Spare rooms in some of the older homes have been used for storing all the clutter that has been accumulated in years. Furniture that frowns at one by day and groats at one by night would be more pleasing to the guest if it would even jeer once in a while.

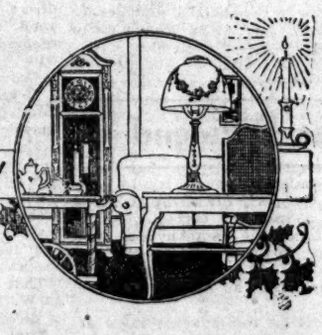
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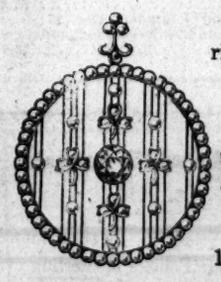
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London	Demand	4/4⅛
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Paris	T.T.	591½
Paris	Demand	563½
New York	T.T.	103½
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Tendency of market: firm.
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Dr. E. L. Marsh was elected a director in place of Mr. C. W. Ure who is retiring.

The chairman spoke as follows:

Gentlemen:—When I addressed you last year your directors had to report a very considerable death rate in the cattle due to rinderpest and a consequent slight addition to the debit balance in our balance sheet. I then informed you that in order to fulfill the requirements of our customers it would be necessary to purchase cows and in doing so we would risk losing them by rinderpest. Early in the year we took advantage of the opportunity to purchase 26 first class milking cows from Japan; a few months later the disease appeared amongst them and of the 26 twenty died. It is satisfactory to note that except for these we have had no rinderpest deaths in the dairy. This confirms us in our belief that the very large majority of our herd is immune. During the year some 40 of our own young stock became milk producing and these also we believe to be immune. We have disposed of certain of our cows which showed signs of developing tuberculosis and others which through old age and other causes had become either barren or poor milk producers. The result of this is that our remaining herd is in very first class order and one which we may well be proud of.

We have still too small a herd to supply all the milk required and a number of would-be consumers have to be disappointed each month. As the sale of milk is our one means of earning income we shall if opportunity offers purchase additional cows although we shall again run a risk of a heavy death rate.

Before dealing with the accounts I want to say a word or two in appreciation of the work of Mr. Sogaard, our manager. Mr. Sogaard has now been with us nearly two years and during that time he has gained a very extensive knowledge of local conditions as affecting dairy work and has recommended numerous reforms all of which have tended to an increase in efficiency. In the matter of feeding alone he has by careful experiment managed to reduce the average cost of food per cow while increasing the yield of milk; this I need hardly tell you is perhaps the most important point in commercial dairy management. His system of dairy records and dairy accounts is so complete that your directors can at any time see exactly how the dairy is progressing and for what share of that progress any individual cow is responsible. Cleanliness and efficiency are his watchwords and it is very largely owing to him that we are able to present to you this year a more promising statement of accounts.

We have been endeavoring to obtain from Denmark an assistant for Mr. Sogaard but up to the present without success. Your directors feel that it is unfair to ask our manager to carry on indefinitely without an assistant. In ordinary times the hours are long and the work, if it is well done, tiring, and at times when there is sickness in the dairy the work is far too much for one man. Moreover so long as we have only our manager it is impossible for him to get away even for a very short leave, a state of affairs we are unwilling to continue longer than is absolutely necessary. We hope that a satisfactory man will be engaged in Denmark through Mr. Sogaard's brother, who is interesting himself in the matter.

I do not propose to deal at length with the accounts; they have been in your hands for some days and are, I think, easily understood. The working account expenses for the year as compared to last year show a decrease of Tls. 2,888.94. This is chiefly owing to a decrease in salaries: We having paid only one manager for the whole year whereas last year we paid two for a considerable period. Discounts to shareholders are increased by Tls. 405.20, due to our increased sales. On the other side of the account milk sales are increased by Tls. 3,270.84. The net result being an increase in working account balance of Tls. 6,163.88.

The profit and loss account shows the net loss by death and discards of cattle Tls. 6,136.55 and the depreciations on our property. In this connection I should mention the buildings on our old premises are now written down to practically their value as old material and our new buildings and various sundries are all fully depreciated.

On the other side of this account you will notice an item of Tls. 12,888.91, being appreciation in value of live stock. This valuation is, we believe, thoroughly conservative but to make doubly sure we are holding in reserve value to the extent of Tls. 6,152.38. That is, we are only crediting the profit and loss account with Tls. 6,736.53 instead of Tls. 12,000 odd as valued by the manager.

The balance of profit and loss, Tls. 9,392.23, is carried as previously to the balance sheet where you will notice we start our new year with a debit balance reduced from Tls. 10,915.11 to Tls. 1,522.88.

There is nothing further in the balance sheet needing explanation. Our land appears at cost price and our buildings as I said before are written down to a safe figure.

Sundry debtors are almost entirely the October monthly bills, practically all of which have since been collected, and the sundry creditors are payments due by us for food-stuffs etc., and balance of interest on debentures which will be paid as they fall due.

It is always somewhat of a risk to attempt to forecast future working, but your directors feel that they are now safe, unless something quite unforseen should occur, in saying that our rather long period of bad luck and depression is past and that the coming year should see the company again on a dividend paying basis.

The following resolutions were adopted.

That the report and accounts as presented be adopted.

That the appointment of Dr. E. L. Marsh as a director be confirmed and that Mr. P. Peebles be re-elected a director of the company.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews be re-appointed auditors for the ensuing year at an annual fee of Tls. 200.

Kamunting Declares Dividend

The shareholders of the Kamunting (in Kedah) Rubber Plantation Co., Limited, held their seventh annual meeting yesterday afternoon at the offices of the Secretaries, Messrs. A. W. Burkill and Sons. A dividend of 60 Tael Cents per share was declared.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. E. W. Noel, and the directors present were Messrs. E. S. Kadoorie, A. W. Burkill and R. Ure Hummel, the secretary of the meeting being Mr. H. C. Davis. The shares represented were 13,286.

The chairman's speech was as follows:

The report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will with your permission follow the usual procedure and take them as read. The Auditors' Report reads as follows:—

"We have examined the above balance sheet with the company's books, accounts and vouchers in Shanghai and with the signed statements received from the local agents in Penang and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

"We have seen two land grants for the Paya Kamunting Estate (acres 1,494:2:03) in the name of Kamunting Rubber Plantation Co., Ltd., and have been informed that the grants for Riverside Estate (acres 743:0:06) have not yet been issued.

"Subject to the foregoing, the above balance sheet is, in our opinion, properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the company's affairs, according to the best of our information and the explanations given us and as shown by the books."

Considering the adverse rates of exchange ruling throughout the year, your directors think the result of the 12 months working may be regarded as satisfactory. The profit on rubber production amounts to Tls. 53,867.93 with an average exchange of 63, and this after facing an exchange loss of Tls. 6,031.50 at the end of the year, when the closing rate was 55. The quota of general estate expenditure charged to revenue accuont, viz, 65% at Paya Kamunting and 80% at Riverside, in proportion to the tapping areas, is very liberal, and the whole of Shanghai expenditure has been debited to revenue.

While the result of the year's working possibly justifies the distribution of a larger dividend return, owing to the difficulties of shipping from the Straits and the consequent likelihood of still further restricted sales, your directors consider it is safer to have a reserve of cash or liquid assets for use in the event of a cessation of income.

It is recommended that machinery and furniture shall be written down to Tls. 1 each and horses, bullocks etc., written off. Although the same drastic policy was applied to buildings also last year, the directors do not think it necessary or advisable to do so on this occasion: as many buildings are quite new the writing off of Tls. 2,982.93 is ample. An apparent profit of Tls. 1,622 is shown in the profit and loss account owing to the destruction by fire of buildings which had previously been written down to One Tael. This goes to show that such writing down is sometimes misleading.

The amount it is proposed to carry forward to next year roughly represents the liquid assets less creditors, after the dividend is provided for.

The extensions covering 55 acres completed during the year were all that could be undertaken owing to shortage of labor. The labor force consists chiefly of Tamils and towards the middle of the year showed a considerable depletion in numbers. Latterly, however, recruiting has been more successful and the managers hope now to be able to proceed more vigorously with the reclamation of further areas at Riverside Estate.

A considerable amount of thinning out has been done, 4,216 trees at Kamunting and 5,000 trees at Riverside having been removed; most of the latter were nursery trees which had been allowed to grow. The benefit of this work is reflected in the substantial increase in yield per tree shown.

In spite of abnormally heavy rainfall at both estates, the weeding costs have been considerably reduced and the estimates for the current year show a further reduction.

Pests and diseases have given no cause for anxiety and health conditions with both natives and foreigners have been very satisfactory.

The quality of the rubber manufactured during the year has not been quite up to fair average, but the management has been considerably handicapped owing to the destruction of both smoke houses and inadequate factory accommodation. Now that new smoke houses are in use the quality of our sheet shows a marked improvement. The estimates for the current year provide for new drying shed, packing room, store and smoke house at Kamunting and factory buildings at both estates, and the improved accommodation will ensure standard quality being made.

Further coolie lines at Riverside and a new bungalow for an assistant at Kamunting also will be erected this year.

The working of the estates under the supervision of Messrs. Barker and Co. is found to be a vast improvement in every way and their periodical visits and reports are of great value. Their Mr Mitchell who recently visited both of our properties is expected to be in Shanghai shortly when we shall have an opportunity of going into details with him.

The thanks of shareholders are due to the managers and their staffs for the progress made and the directors' recommendation that the good services of the managers be recognised in the form of a bonus will I am sure meet with your approval.

If any shareholder has any questions to ask I shall be pleased to answer them.

No questions being asked, the following resolutions were proposed and adopted:

That the report and accounts together with the recommendations as to proportion of balance of profit and loss account as presented be accepted,

That the appointment of Messrs. A. W. Burkill and R Ure-Hummel as directors be confirmed.

That Mr. E. W. Noel be re-elected a director of the company.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews be re-elected auditors of the company.

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Hongkong Share Market

Hongkong, December 14.—Messrs. Moxon and Taylor write as follows in their weekly share report:—

The week under review has been devoted almost exclusively to business in Indo shares, the market showing violent fluctuations, and a large amount of business done.

Shanghai has been a quiet market for the period under review, with the exception of a fairly heavy rise in Ewo shares, following the declaration of their dividend, particulars of which are given below.

Banks.—Hongkong Banks are offering at $620 after a fair business at the rate.

Marine Insurances.—Cantons have come to business at $300. Unions are in steady demand at $735 and North Chinas at Tls. 115.

Fire Insurances.—China Fires are wanted $125 and Hongkong Fires at $310 are quiet with nothing doing.

Shipping.—Deferred Indos closed last week at $145 for February with $141 done for cash, and during the week the rates have advanced as high as $156 for March and $148 for cash, and as low as $145 for February has been done. At the close after various fluctuations rates are $153½ for February $156 March and $149 cash. Douglases are a weak market at $78. Steamboats have come to business at $18.

Refineries.—China Sugars have changed hands at $90 for cash, and Malabons at $36.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats are a quiet market at Tls. 15. Raubs have changed hands at $2.35 whilst Tronohs at 28s., Urals at 30s. and Kailans at 39s. are all on offer Shells have buyers at 112s. with sellers holding for 115s.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Kowloon Wharves weakened to a selling rate of $91 but are now firmer with buyers offering $93 and $97 for February. Hongkong Docks have changed hands as low as $120½ cash with $121 now offering. Shanghai Docks are wanted at Tls. 73.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—West Points have come to business at $81 and Hongkong Lands at $90. Hongkong Hotels are wanted at $90 and Kowloon Lands at $30. Humphreys at $5.65 are quiet.

Cotton Mills.—Shanghai quotes as follows:—
Ewos Tls. 178½.
Shanghai Cottons Tls. 120.
Kung Yiks Tls. 15.80.
Yangtszepoos Tls. 6.80.

The Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd., has declared a

Dividend of Tls. 20 per share on Ordinary Shares	Tls. 300,000
Dividend of Tls. 7 per share on Preference Shares	28,000
Placed to Depreciation Fund.	127,000
Placed to Reserve Fund	200,000
Placed to Equalisation of Dividend Fund	125,000
War Funds	50,000
Bonus to Staff	20,000
Carry Forward to New Account	4,000

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Electrics are wanted at $48, China Lights could be placed at $3½. Hongkong Trams are offering at $6½.

Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd. The following is an approximate statement of the traffic receipts for the week ending December 8, 1917.

	Receipts for week.	Aggregate Receipts for 49 weeks.
This year...	$12,051	$659,661
Last year...	12,227	698,664
Increase ..	—	—
Decrease ..	176	39,003

Miscellaneous.—Watsons are a firm market at $5½ and Cements have come to business at $7½. Providents could be placed at $7½. Ices at $150 and Dairy Farms at $25. Waterboats at $12 and Steam Laundries at $3 are unchanged from last week. Powells are offering at $6½ and Ropes have sellers at $29½.

Singapore Rubber Auction

Messrs. R. N. Truman and Co. have received the following telegraphic report from their Singapore Agents in connection with the last weekly rubber auctions held on December 19:

No. 1 Smoked Sheet—$100 per picul equivalent to 2s. 0d. in London.

No. 1 Crepe—$99 per picul equivalent to 2s. 0d. in London.

Market opened dull for prime grade later market rather better biddings erratic. Low grade demand is good. Offered 820 tons sold 357 tons.

BAR SILVER

Reuter's Service

London, December 19.—Today's silver prices were:—

Bar Silver Spot, 43d. Quiet.

Previous quotation, London, December 18:—

Bar Silver Spot, 43d. Steady.

BANK OF ENGLAND

Reuter's Service

London, Dec. 20.—According to the Bank of England returns, the proportion of Reserves to liabilities is 19%.

Bank of England rate of Discount 5%.

NEW VLADIVOSTOK DENIAL

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—In the House of Commons today, at question-time, Lord Robert Cecil stated that so far as His Majesty's Government is aware, the report of the landing of Japanese troops at Vladivostok is without foundation.

THE CHINA PRESS MAIL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1917

Date and Destination	Per	Chi.	Br.	USA	Rus.	Jap.	Reg.
Today							
Swatow and Hongkong		..	17.00		..	..	..
Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, U.S. & Europe	Korea maru	..	..	8.00	..	..	..
Japan & America via Nagasaki	Korea maru	..	..	..	..	G8.30	..
Hongkong and Canton ..	Yingchow	21.00	..	..	16.30	17.00	21.00
Honskong			17.00	..	..	..	..
Japan, U. Kingdom via U.S.A			9.00				..
River Ports	Train & Str.	21.0		..	..	..	21.00
Chinwangtao	Patriot	21.00	..	..	..	..	21.00
Hongkong and Canton ..	Inaba maru	21.00	..	..		..	21.00
Hongkong and Canton	Canada maru	21.00	..	..	..	..	21.00
Japan, Canada, U.S. & Europe	Korea maru	8.00	..	..	..	..	..
N'saki, Kobe, Yokohama, Canada, U.S.A. and Europe..	V. Vancouver	..	..	B14.00	..		13.00
Tientsin (via Chinwangtao)		..	17.00			..	.
Swatow		..	13.30	..	..	..	..
Weihaiwei		..	17.00		..	..	..
Weihaiwei and Chefoo..			13.30		..	..	..
Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Chin'tao	Tungchow	13.30	..		..	..	13.00
Swatow, Hongkong & Canton	Shengking	13.30			..	..	3.00
Peking and T'tsin (Every day)	Train	..			17.00	..	7.00
T'tsin (Daily except Sunday)		..	17.00		..		
Hankow		..	17.00		..	..	..
Ningpo	Kiangteen	..	15.00	..	..	..	..
Tomorrow							
River Ports	Train & Str.	21.00	..	..	..		21.00
N'saki, Kobe, Y'hama, C'da, U. S. & E'ope via Canada			D9.00	..			17(22)
Hongkong and Canton	Holhow	21.00		..	16.30	17.00	21.00
Japan, Canada, U. S. & Europe		8.00		..	..	..	7(22
Monday, Dec. 24.							
Japan & America v. Nagasaki	Hakuai maru	..	..	..	..	A25.00	19.30
Europe via Siberia	Via Pukow	21.00	..	..	..	..	20.30
Europe via Siberia (Express)..	†Via Pukow	..	21.00	..	..	..	17.00
Europe via Siberia..	Via Pukow		..	..	18.00	..	17.30
Hongkong and Canton	Holhow	21.00	..	..	17.00	16.30	21.00
River Ports	Train & Str.	21.0	..	..	..	..	21.00
Japan, U. Kingdom via U.S.A.		..	17.00	..	..	..	17.00
Japan Ports		18.0		..	..	..	17.00
Tuesday, Dec. 25.							
Hongkong ..		..	9.0	..	..	..	..
W.H.W., Chefoo (via Chin'tao)		..	9.00	..	..	..	..
W. H. W., Chefoo via Chin'tao	Kingsing	8.30	..	..	..	..	8.00
Hongkong and Canton	Suiyang	8.30		..	..	..	8.00
do	Shuntien	8.30	..	..	..	..	8.00
Wednesday, Dec. 26.							
Europe via Siberia	Via Pukow						
Europe via Siberia..	Via Pukow	21.00	..	.	18.00	..	17.30
Europe via Siberia (F. Train)	†Via Pukow	..	21.00	..	..	..	20.30
Amoy and Hongkong		..	17.00	..	..	..	17.00
Thursday, Dec. 27.							
H'kong, S'apore, India, C'mbo, and U. Kingdom via Suez		..	c13.30	..	..	..	13.00

† Letters forwarded by this route only when specially marked.

A Letters and boxes with declared value 7.30 p.m. Parcel post 4 p.m. and money orders 3 p.m.

B Postal money orders and parcel post until 12 noon. Supplementary mail will be closed at 5 p.m. on Saturday, December 22. Ordinary letters close at 8 a.m. on Sunday, December 23.

C Parcel post 1 p.m.

D Parcel post 5 p.m. on previous day

G Registration 7.30 p.m. on previous day. Letters and boxes with declared value 7.30 p.m. on previous day. Parcel post 4 p.m. and money orders 3 p.m. on previous day.

Until further notice, mails for Europe, via Pukow and Siberia, will be closed at the Chinese Post Office as follows: Monday and Wednesday at 9 p.m. Registered mails are closed half an hour earlier.

Mails for Hankow close every day at 11.30 a.m. and 9 p.m. Registration at 11.30 a.m. and 8.30 p.m. and for Peking and Tientsin every day at 9 p.m. Registration at 5 p.m. at the Russian post office.

Arrivals

Date	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Dec. 21	Ningpo	Hsin Peking	2868	Br.	B. & S.	CNCW
21	Ningpo	Hsin Ningshao	2151	Chi.	N.S.N.Co.	NSCW
21	Hongkong	Yingchow	1992	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
21	Tsingtao	Sanyomaru	1426	Jap.	S. M. R.	SMRW
21	Tsingtao	Tencho maru	1278	Jap.	S.M.R.	SMRW
21	Hankow	Ningshao	2821	Chi.	N.S.Co.	NSW
21	Hankow	Hanping	581	Chi.	H.Y.P.I. Co.	HYPW
21	Hankow	Foyang	1992	Br.	B. & S.	CNW

Men-of-War In Port

Section	Date	From	Name	Flag and Rating	Tons	Guns	Man	Commander
CIV	Dec 17	Cruise	Asama	Jap cru.	..	..	..	
WMB	Apr...		D de Legree	Fr g-b.	..	..		
SIII	Dec. 17	Cruise	Iwate	Jap cur.	..	..	..	
CP	Oct. 26	Curise	Nightingale	Br. g-b.	85	..	..	
CD	Dec. 17	do	Quiros	Am g-b	..	..	..	
VPD	Dec. 17	Cruise	Suimda	Jap g-b	..	..	..	
P&OB	Ap .14		Sems-	Am g-b.	243	4	35	Brown
P&OB	Nov. 16	Curise	Villalobas	Am g-b.	..	..	..	Clarke

Chinese and Foreign Banking Announcements

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Colombo	Malacca	Taiping
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L. R. BREMNER.
Manager.

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Dondichery	Peking	Tourane
Haiphong	Papoote	
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M. DEMETS,
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$33,500,000

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A. G. STEPHEN.
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Capital (fully-paid)	55,000,000
Reserve Fund	26,960,000
	Kpg. Tls.
Capital Contributed by the Chinese Government ..	3,500,000
Reserve Fund	1,750,000

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Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

C. C. WONG,
Act Manager

The Bank of China

(Specially authorised by Presidential Mandate of 15th April, 1915)

Authorised Capital ...$60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital:
Chinese Government 10,000,000.00
Chinese Mercantile Community 2,312,500.00
$12,312,500.00
Reserve Fund 1,892,564.85

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SHANGHAI BRANCH.
3 HANKOW ROAD.

Loans granted on approved securities. Local bills discounted. Interest allowed on Tael Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum, on Dollar Current Accounts at 1 per cent. per annum, and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:
For 3 months at the rate of 3 per cent per annum.
For 6 months at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.
For 12 months at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

SUNG HAN-CHANG,
Manager.

Banque Industrielle de Chine

Capital ..... Francs 45,000,000
One-third of the Capital, i. e. Frs. 15,000,000, subscribed by
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CHINESE REPUBLIC

Statutes approved by the Government of the Chinese Republic on January 11, 1913.

President Andre Berthelot.
General Manager, A. J. Pernotte.

HEAD OFFICE
74, RUE ST. LAZARE, PARIS.
Branches in Peking, Tientsin, Shanghai, Saigon and Hongkong

BANKERS:
In France: Societe Generale pour le Development du Commerce et du l'Industrie en France.
In London: London, County and Westminister Bank, Ltd.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts in Gold or Local currency and Fixed Deposits on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Savings accounts in Gold and Local currency.

G. LION,
Manager.
1, French Bund, Shanghai.

Yokohama Specie Bank, Limited

(Established 1880.)

Head Office: YOKOHAMA, JAPAN.

Capital Subscribed ..Yen 48,000,000
Capital Paid-up .... „ 36,000,000
Reserve Fund ..... „ 22,100,000

London Bankers:
Union of London & Smith's Bank, The London Joint Stock Bank, Parr's Bank, Ltd.

Branches and Agencies

Antunghsin	London	Port Arthur
Bombay	Liaoyang	S. Francisco
Calcutta	Los Angeles	Seattle
Changchun	Lyons	Singapore
Dalny	Mukden	Sydney
Hankow	Nagasaki	Sinanfu
Harbin	Newchwang	Tiehling
Hongkong	New York	Tientsin
Honolulu	Osaka	Tokio
Kobe	Peking	Tsingtau

SHANGHAI BRANCH

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in Taels and Dollars, according to arrangement.

Drafts granted on principal places in Japan, Korea, Formosa and China, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India and America, and every description of Banking and exchange business transacted.

K. KODAMA, Manager.

The Shanghai Commerical and Savings Bank, Ltd.

9, Ningpo Road.

Paid-Up Capital .....$ 300,000.00
Reserve .....$ 10,000.00
Deposits (June, 30, 1917) $1,590,000.00

Correspondents at principal cities in China, and domestic exchange a speciality.

Credits granted on approved securities. Bills discounted.

Current accounts in both taels and dollars with interest, may be opened on application.

Particulars of interest allowed on fixed deposits, in both taels and dollars, will be furnished on request.

K. P. CHEN,
General Manager.

International Banking Corporation

Capital & Surplus...U.S. $6,500,000.00
Undivided Profits...U.S. $1,348,000.00
U.S. $7,848,000.00

Head Office:
55 Wall Street, New York
National City Bank Building.

London Office:
36 Bishopsgate, E. C.

Bankers:

Bombay	Hongkong	Peking
Calcutta	Kobe	San Francico
Canton	London	Santo Domingo
Cebu	Manila	San Pedro de,
Colon	Medellin	Macoris
(Cristobal C.Z.)		Shanghai
Hankow	Panama	Singapore
		Tientsin
		Yokohama

Through its close affiliation with the NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK, the Corporation is able to offer the special services of the Branches of that Institution established at:—

Bahia	Rio de Janeiro
Buenos Aires	Santiago de Cuba
Genoa	Santos
Havana	San Paulo
Montevideo	Valparaiso
Petrograd	

The Corporation issues Commercial and Travellers' Letters of Credit and Travellers' Cheques, receives money on CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT and FIXED DEPOSIT on terms which may be ascertained on application, and transacts all other descriptions of Banking and Exchange business.

H. C. GULLAND,
Manager.
1a Kiukiang Road, Shanghai.

Nederlandsche Handel Maatschappij

(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.)

Established 1824.

Paid-up-Capital—
Guilders 60,000,000 (about £5,000,000)
Reserve Fund—
Guilders 11,595,461, (about £966,288)
Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
Head Agency: BATAVIA

Agencies in Holland:
THE HAGUE and ROTTERDAM.

Branches

Bandjermasin	Padang	Soerakarta
Bandoeng	Palembang	Tebing-Tinggi
Cheribon	Pekalongan	Tegal
Djember	Penang	Telok-Betong
Djokjakarta	Pontianak	Tjilatjap
Hongkong	Rangoon	Weltevreden
Kota-Radja	Semarang	
Langsa	Singapore	
Makassar	Soerabaya	
Medan		

London Bankers:
Union of London and Smith's Bank, Ltd.

Correspondents at the principal places in Europe, Asia, Australia and North America.

The Bank buys, sells, and receives for collection bills of exchange, issues letters of credit on its branches and correspondents and transacts banking business of every description.

Current accounts kept in taels and dollars.

SHANGHAI INTEREST ALLOWED on current tael accounts and fixed deposits, according to arrangement.

B. G. J. WYNBERG.
Manager.

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation

Savings Bank Office:
12 The Bund, and 9 Broadway.

Deposits of not less than $1, or over $100, will be received at one time.

Not more than $1,200 will be received in one year from any single depositor whose credit balance shall not at any time exceed the sum of $5,000

Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent per annum will be allowed on the monthly minimum balance. Deposits may be withdrawn on demand. Accounts will be kept either in Mexican Dollars or Taels, at the option of the depositor.

Depositors will be presented with Pass Books in which all transactions will be entered. Pass Books must be presented when paying in or withdrawing money.

Office Hours—10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Commercial Bank of China

Head Office: SHANGHAI

Subscribed Capital Sh. Tls. 5,000,000
Paid-up Capital ..Sh. Tls. 2,500,000

Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on daily balance. On Fixed deposits:
For 3 months at 3% per annum.
For 6 months at 4% per annum.
For 12 months at 5% per annum.
On Deposits in Dollars according to arrangement.

H. C. MARSHALL,
Chief Manager.

The Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.

Authorised Capital £1,500,000
Subscribed Capital 1,125,000
Paid-up Capital 562,500
Reserve Fund 600,000

HEAD OFFICE, 15 Gracechurch Street LONDON, E. C.

London Bankers:
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd.

Branches & Agencies.

Bombay	Howrah	Madras
Calcutta	Handy	Penang
Colombo	Karachi	Port Louis
Delhi	Kota Bahru (Mauritius)	
Galle	(Kelantan)	Pangoon
Hongkong	Kuala Lumpur	Shanghai
	Singapore	

Shanghai Branch.

EVERY description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Interest allowed on Tae Current Accounts at 2% per annum and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

R. D. YOUNG,
Manager.
7 Nanking Road.
9752

BANK OF COMMUNICATIONS

Specially authorised by Presidential Mandates of April 7th, 1914, and October 31st, 1915.

PAID-UP
Capital: Kuping Taels 10,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING.
50 Branches and Agencies at principal commercial places in China.

SHANGHAI BRANCH
35 Szechuen Road.

Interest allowed on both Current and Fixed Deposit Accounts; Credit granted on approved securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. TAO,
Manager.
Y. M. CHIEN,
Sub-Manager.

SUMITOMO BANK, LIMITED

SHANGHAI BRANCH.
No. 1 Kiukiang Road

Capital ..... Yen 30,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) . Yen 18,750,000
Reserve ..... Yen 2,800,000
Deposits ..... Yen 150,000,000

President, Baron K. Sumitomo

Head Office: OSAKA.

Branches:
Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya, Kyoto, Osaka, Kobe, Hyogo, Onomichi Kure, Niihama, Hiroshima, Yanai Shimonoseki, Moji, Wakamatsu Kukuoka, Kurume, Honolulu, San Francisco, Bombay and Hankow

London Banker:
LLOYDS BANK, LIMITED
New York Banker:
NATIONAL CITY BANK OF N. Y.

Banking Business in General Foreign Exchange Business, Travelers' and Commercial Letters of Credit, Correspondents throughout the World.

S. KASHARA.
Manager.

Tel. No. 2359 —(Sumitomo Bank).
Tel. No. 2360 —(Sumitomo Bank).
Tel. No. 4663 (Compradore Office).

中 華 滙 行 Chung Foo Union Bank

Statutes approved by the Government in 1916
Head office: Tientsin
Capital $2,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $1,000,000.00

Managing Director: SUN TAO SAN

Branches and Agencies:

Tientsin	Chinkiang
Shanghai	Soochow
Peking	Wusieh
Hankow	Hangchow
Nanking	Ningpo
Yangchow	Shaohsing
Hsuchow	Canton
Pengpu	Hongkong
Tsingkianpu	

Shanghai Branch
441, Ningpo Road

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Credits granted on approved securities.

Y. R. SUN,
Manager.
T. D. ZAR,
Sub-manager.

Vessels In Harbor And At Woosung

Arrived.	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Nov 14	Hankow	Albenga	1769	Ger.	Carlowitz	KND
Nov 15	Portland	Adeline Smith	1248	Am.	R. D. Co.	KND
Aug 4	Hongkong	Bohemia†	4282	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B VII
Aug 5	Hongkong	China†	3868	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	BIX
Aug 8	Hongkong	D. Rickmers*	3451	Ger.	H. D. & C	KNDW
Dec 17	Karatsu	Dairen maru	249	Jap.	Dowell & Co.	BII
Dec 17	Hongkong	Dilwara	3460	Br.	P. & O.	PWE
Dec 17	Nanking	Fortuna*	182	Ger.	H. D. & Co	KNDW
Dec 3	Chefoo	Hsinmine	1428	Chi	C.M.S.N.Co.	TKDD
Dec 19	Japan	Hozan maru	836	Jap	Satoh Shokai	WW
Dec 19	Hongkong	Hazel Dollar	2898	Br.	R. Dollar	PWE
Dec 20	Swatow	Hoihow	808	Br.	B. & S.	WTW
Dec 20	Foochow	Hsean	1839	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
Sept 25	Keelung	Irmgard	614	Am.		ODW
Dec 12	Japan	Justlandia	3121	Dan	E. A. Co.	8 VI
Dec 17	Chinwangtao	Kenkon maru	1682	Jap.	K. M. A.	KMAW
Dec 20	Hongkong	Kwangtab	1536	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
July 16	Hankow	Meidab*	1682	Ger.	Melchers	KND
July 8	Hankow	Meilee*	1682	Ger.	Melchers	YTPD
Dec 20	Hankow	Meian	417	Am.	S. Oil Co.	CKPW
Dec 12		Patriot	1605	Br.	K.M.A.	YTPDW
Sept 27	Cruise	Pacific	727	Dan.	G.N.T.Co	7 D
July 30	Tsingtao	Pikiang*	1840	Ger.	H. A. L.	KNDW
July 30	Hongkong	Silesia†	3818	Aus	Aus. Lloyd	OD
Nov 28	Portland	S. V. Margaret	1230	Am.	J. M. & Co.	OD
Dec 12	Cruise	Store Nordiske	598	Dan	G.-N.T. Co.	9 D
Dec 18	Dalny	Sorachi maru	1780	Jap.	Okura & Co.	
Dec 18	Ecbing	Tungwah	746	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
Dec 20	Chefoo	Tungchow	1263	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
Dec 17	Chinwangtao	Yei maru	1496	Jap.	K.M.A.	KMAW
Dec 19	Japan	Yawata maru	3562	Jap.	N. Y.K.	NYKW
Dec 19	Japan	Yechigo maru	1765	Jap.	M.B.K.	

*Taken over by the Chinese Government on March 14.
†Taken over by the Chinese Government on August 14.

AMUSEMENTS

APOLLO THEATRE

December 22nd, 23rd,

BABY MARIE OSBORNE

IN

"When Baby Forgot"

A Five-Reel Pathe Gold Rooster Film with "Baby" in the leading part. She is the cutest Kiddie in Kinema Land.



BABY MARIE OSBORNE (PATHE).



CHARLIE CHAPLIN

IN

"EASY STREET"

A Street paved with smiles laughs and yells galore.

"Charlie at his best"

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MATINEES: Saturday 4 p.m.
"THE TRAMP"
"MAX BETWEEN TWO FIRES"

Sunday 3 p.m.
7th & 8th Episodes
"THE FATAL RING"

Olympic Theatre

TONIGHT TONIGHT

Saturday, 22nd

"THE MOMENT BEFORE"

WITH

PAULINE FREDERICK

A PARAMOUNT PICTURE

VICTORIA THEATRE

SHOWING

On Dec. 22nd, 23rd & 24th

MARGUERITE CLARK

IN

"MOLLY MAKE-BELIEVE"

A FIVE PART

PARAMOUNT PICTURES.

ISIS THEATRE

Corner of Jukong and North Szechuen Roads (about 150 yards from Range Road)

Tonight Tonight

Showing

4 interesting parts, episodes 9 and 10 of the Fascinating Serial

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featuring

ANITA STEWART AND EARLE WILLIAMS

Don't Miss Tonight

Serie 11 in Two Parts of the Stupendous Feature

"THE GIRL AND THE GAME"

and the Screaming Comedy

PIGS IS PIGS

Special Program for Christmas

The Great Feature Comedy in 5 Acts

"WHAT HAPPENED TO JONE?"

TOWA CINEMA THEATRE

No. 3 Woochang Road (Near Chapoo Road)

PROGRAMME

For December 22nd and 23rd

"THE WELL-SICK MAN"
Comedy

"THE INVADER"

Drama in Three Parts.

"PRINCE CHARLEY"
Comedy

Change of Programme Every Monday and Friday

Matinee on Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

Admission Prices: 30 cts., 20 cts. and 10 cts.

GENERAL SHIPPING NEWS

Future Sailings

FOR AMERICA AND CANADA

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
Dec 22	10.00*	San Francisco	Korea maru	Jap.	Alexander
" 29	..	Victoria B.C. and Seattle	Hawaii maru	Jap.	O.S.K.
Jan 8	..	San Francisco	Colombia	Am.	P.M.S.S.Co.
" 8	..	San Francisco	Siberia maru	Jap.	Alexander

FOR JAPAN PORTS

Dec 21	3.00	Nagasaki, Moji and Kobe	Yawata maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
" 22	10.00*	Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Korea maru	Jap.	Alexander
" 25	8.00*	Nagasaki, Moji and Kobe	Hakuai maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
" 27	9.30*	Moji, Kobe & Osaka	Kumano maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
" 29	11.30*	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Omi maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Jan 1	1.00	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Yamashiro maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
" 5	..	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Chikugo maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.

FOR EUROPE, INDIA, STRAITS, ETC.

Dec 29	9.00*	Liverpool etc.	Tamba maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.

FOR SOUTHERN PORTS

Dec 22	4.00	Ningpo	Kiangteen	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	3.00	Swatow & Hongkong	Shengking	Br.	B. & S.
" 24	A.M.	Foochow	Haean	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 23	A.M.	Hongkong	Kwangtah	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.
" 23	..	Hongkong	Canada maru	Jap.	O.S.K.
" 23	D.L.	Hongkong & Canton	Yingchow	Br.	B. & S.
" 24	..	Hongkong	Inaba maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
" 24	4.00	Ningpo	Hsin Pekins	Br.	B. & S.
" 24	4.00	Ningpo	Hsin Ningshao	Chi.	N.S.S.Co
" 24	8.00*	Hongkong & Canton	Hoihow	Br.	B. & S.
" 25	10.00*	Hongkong & Canton	Suiyang	Br.	B. & S.
" 25	10.00*	Hongkong & Canton	Shuntien	Br.	B. & S.
" 27	D.L.	Amoy, Hongkong & Canton	Sinkiang	Br	B. & S.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Dec 21		Tsingtao	Sanyomaru	Jap.	S.M.R.
" 22	noon	Tsingtao	Tencho maru	Jap.	S.M.R.
" 24	2.00	Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Chin.	Tungchow	Br.	B. & S.
" 23		Chinwangtao	Patriot	Rus.	E.M.A.
" 25	8.3	*Dairy	Sakai maru	Jap.	S.M.R.
" 25	10.00*	Dairy	Tamsui	Br.	B. & S.
" 25	10.00*	Weihaiwei, Chefoo & T'tsin	Kingsing	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 25	10.00*	Tsingtao	Isshin maru	Jap.	S.M.R.
" 27		Dairy & Tsingtao	Kohoku maru	Jap.	O.S.K.
" 27	noon	Dairy	Shinyo maru	Jap.	S.M.R.
" 28	10.00*	Tsingtao and Dairy	Kobe maru	Jap.	S.M.R.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Dec 22	M.N.	Hankow etc.	Poyang	Br.	B. & S.
" 21	M.N.	do	Suiyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 22	M.N.	do	Ningshao	Chi.	N.S.S.Co.
" 23	M.N.	do	Kiangkwan	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	M.N.	do	Luenho	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 24	M.N.	do	Kiangyu	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	M.N.	do	Talee maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 25	M.N.	do	Luenyi	Br.	B. & S.
" 25	M.N.	do	Fengyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 25	M.N.	do	Suiwo	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 25	M.N.	do	Ngankin	Br.	B. & S.
" 26	M.N.	do	Kiangyung	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co
" 26	M.N.	do	Tachi maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 27	M.N.	do	Kiangheip	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 27	M.N.	do	Kutwo	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 27	M.N.	do	Yohyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 28	M.N.	do	Siangyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 28	M.N.	do	Tuckwo	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 28	M.N.	do	Tatung	Br.	B. & S.

*A.M. M.N.—Midnight. D.L.—Daylight.

Departures

Date	For	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents
Dec 21	Vladivostock via Nagasaki	Penza	2679	Rus.	R.V.F.
" 21	Swatow, Hongkong & Canton	Koonshing	3233	Br.	J.M. & Co
" 21	Chefoo	Hsinchi	1385	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 21	Tacoma & Seattle	Mexico maru	3559	Jap.	O.S.K.
" 21	Tsingtao & Dairy	Kobe maru	2643	Jap.	S.M.R.
" 21	Hankow etc.	Chongking	1311	Br.	B. & S.
" 21	do	Nanyang maru	1968	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 21	do	Loongwo	2863	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 21	Ningpo	Hsin Peking	2868	Br.	B. & S.
" 21	Ningpo	Hsin Ningshao	2151	Chi.	N.S.N.Co.

Vessels Loading

For River Ports

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Co's Str. Suiyang M., Capt. A. E. Inwood, will be despatched from the C. M. Central wharf on Saturday, Dec. 22, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha. No. 5, The Bund Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Str. Kiangkwan, Capt. C. B. Conley, will leave on Sunday, night. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Co's Str. Talee M. Capt M. Takeo, will be despatched from pootung N.K.K. wharf on Monday, December 24, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha. No. 5, The Bund Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Str. Kiangyu, Captain Wm. S. Ross, will leave on Monday, night. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Str. Luenho, tons 2,868 Capt. Jackson, will leave on Monday, December 24, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., General Managers Tel. No. 240.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Str. Suiwo, tons 2,671 Capt. Sellar, will leave on Tuesday, December 25, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., General Managers Tel. No. 240.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s Steamer Luenyi, Captain Frazier, will leave from the French Bund on Tuesday, December 25, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire. Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s Steamer Ngankin, Captain Newcomb, will leave on Wednesday, December 26, about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire. Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s Steamer Tatung, Captain Williams, will leave from the French Bund on Friday, December 28, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire. Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s Steamer Wuchang, Capt. Pickard, will leave on Saturday, December 29, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, Tel. No. 77.

For Southern Ports

SWATOW & HONGKONG.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Shengking, Capt. McIntosh, will leave from the French Bund on Saturday, December 22, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire. Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HONGKONG.—The Str. Kwangtah, Capt. C. Stewart, will leave on Saturday, morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

FOOCHOW.—The Str. Haean, Capt. F. H. Wallace, will leave on Saturday, morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Yingchow, Capt. E. B. Simons, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Sunday, December 23, at daylight. For Freight or Passage apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Freight. Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

NINGPO.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Hsin Peking, Capt. A. Scott, R.N.R. will leave from the French Bund on Monday, December 24, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Hoihow, Captain A. V. Harrison, will leave on Monday, December 24, at 8 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Tel. No. 77.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s Steamer Shuntien, Captain Northcombe, will leave from the French Bund on Tuesday, Dec. 25, at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Suiyang, Capt. J. Gibbs, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Tuesday, December 25, at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

AMOY, HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Sinkiang Captain Benson, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Thursday, Dec. 27, at daylight. For Freight or Passage apply to Butterfield and Swire. Agents, French Bund Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

TAKAO (FORMOSA) via FOOCHOW and KEELUNG.—The Str. Kohoku Maru, Captain M. Oyoma, will be despatched from the Co.'s Yangtszepoo wharf on January 6, at ——— The steam-launch conveying passengers on board will leave the jetty in front of the Nisshin Kisen Kaisha at ——— on the same day. For Freight and Passage, please apply to The Osaka Shosen Kaisha, No. 4, The Bund. Tel. No. 4234 and 4235.

For Northern Ports

WEIHAIWEI and CHEFOO.—The China Navigation Co.'s Steamer Tungchow, Capt. Benett, will leave from the French Bund on Saturday, December 22, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. French Bund. Freight Tel No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

DAIREN.—The China Navigation Co.'s Str. Tamsui, Capt. J. S. DeWolf, will leave on Tuesday, December 25, at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Tel. No. 77.

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"KOHOKU MARU"	...(2,610 tons)	Capt. M. Oyama,	Jan. 4, Jan. 6

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Per N.S. s.s. Ningshao from Hankow:—Mrs. Wilson.

Per C.N. s.s. Yingchow from Hongkong:—Messrs. O. R. Morse, J. F. Towle, H. J. Moysey, J. Chepperfield, and F. R. Fishner.

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CHIKUGO MARU	5,500	Capt. Y. Yui,	Jan. 5
KASUGA MARU	7,000	Capt. K. Yagiu,	Jan. 8

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KUMANO MARU	9,500	Capt. S. Saito,	Dec. 27
YAWATA MARU	7,000	Capt. K. Yasuhara,	Jan. 3

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Large Display Advertisements
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FENG OFFERS TO MAKE CONCESSIONS TO SOUTH

Willing To Call New Parliament Since Lu Yung-ting Has Cancelled Independence

President Feng Kuo-chang yesterday telegraphed directly to General Lu Yung-ting an offer of three concessions to hasten an amicable settlement, according to a Peking telegram. The Central Government will convene a new Parliament, will order the withdrawal of Peiyang troops from Yochow and Southern troops from South Hunan and leave the decision to accept or reject the resignation of President Li Yuan-hung to the new Legislature.

Because of the reported cancellation of independence by the two Kwang provinces as announced by Inspector-General Lu Yung-ting, President Feng and Premier Wang have drafted a circular telegram ordering an armistice. The message has been countersigned by the Premier but has not yet been despatched on account of the hesitation of the other Cabinet Ministers in countersigning it.

The telegram, as compiled by the Presidential Secretariat, reads in part: "For the last few years the conflict between the North and the South has been for Republicanism, the principles of which essentially advocate the rule of the majority. Now the majority of the people are tired of disturbance and favor peace; and in view of the fact that the South has ceased its hostile operations on the advice of Generals Lu Yung-ting and Tang Chi-yao we hereby order that troops of both sides remain at their posts and quietly wait for an amicable settlement."

The contents of the message have been telegraphed to Tuchun Tsao Kun of Chihli and Tuchun Chang Hui-chi of Shantung by order of President Feng. The two militant Tuchuns have not yet begun the execution of their elaborate military plans because of the lack of funds for their expeditions. The Tientsin conference was formally dissolved Tuesday by Tsao. All the delegates were given $500 each for their troubles, with the exception of Lu Siao-ho, the son and representative of the Shanghai Defense Commissioner, whose service has been retained by Tsao.

General Tuan Chi-kwei, the new War Minister, failed to assume his office Thursday, when he announced that he would not accept the post as planned on account of the peace talk which had then apparently captured the mind of the Chief Executive.

General Tuan Chi-jui, however, has plunged himself into the work of the European War Bureau. He has conferred with the Charge D'Affaires of the French Legation and has consented to increase the size of the proposed expedition from one division to two divisions, Former Minister of Finance Liang Chi-chiao has returned from Tientsin to the Capital to assist Tuan.

Baron Hayashi, the Japanese Minister, will leave Peking for his country on Christmas Day and will return in two weeks. He announced his proposed departure when he called on President Feng Thursday.

A Chungking telegram states that following the occupation of Chuchow by Yunnan troops, the Yunnan authorities have offered for peace provided the Central Government will appoint General Tang Chi-yao Inspector-General of Yunnan, Kweichow and Szechuen, defray the expenses of the Yunnan troops stationed in Chuchow, Chungking and Luchow and obtain the endorsement of Gen. Tang before appointing any man to the military governorship of Szechuen.

News Brevities

Two Austrians confined in the prisoners' camp at Haitien, Peking, have fled, according to a Peking report. A third one was caught in the act of escaping by the military police. An order has been issued for the arrest of the two missing prisoners.

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Congestion in traffic on the Peking-Mukden, Peking-Hankow and Peking-Tientsin-Pukow lines, as a result of the proposal for the transportation of troops to the South, has seriously affected commerce in Tientsin. Large cargoes have been stored up in warehouses, waiting to be shipped to the various cities traversed by these lines.

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Captain C. M. Manners of the Royal Engineers, formerly of the Han Yeh Ping Coal and Iron Co., who saw service on the Mesopotamia front, is now in Shanghai on government service.

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The Osaka Shosen Kaisha, it is learned, will inaugurate a new line of steamship service between Singapore, Calcutta and Java, starting from next March.

ENGLISH TEA PRICES FIXED

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, Dec. 19.—The Minister of Food announces that from December 31 the maximum prices for tea will be:

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From January 15 tea, the price of which is under the control of the Ministry of Food, may not be sold mixed with uncontrolled tea and if controlled tea of two grades is mixed the mixture must be sold at the price of the lower grade.

Mr. Allemao Cleared In Carneiro Inquiry

Found Not To Be Implicated And Released After Brief Questioning

Regarding Mr. R. Allemao, mentioned a few days ago in connection with the Carneiro case as having been arrested at request of the Portuguese authorities, it is stated by Mr. H. C. Gulland, manager of the International Banking Corporation, that he is in no way implicated in any charges that may be brougnt against any of the Carneiro family. Mr. Allemao was set at liberty after a brief interrogation by the Portuguese Consul-General and immediately resumed his duties at the International Bank, where he has been employed for many years.

PRESS PLANS FOR XMAS

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—No newspapers will appear on Christmas Day and no evening papers on Boxing Day.

BLOW-UP NEAR LONDON

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, December 19.—Official: An explosion today wrecked a building in some explosive works northward of London. There were no fatalities.

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GUSTAF L. OBERG
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Shanghai, 1st December, 1917.
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Shipping Items

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The C.M. s.s. Kiangyu left Hankow for Shanghai on Wednesday.
The N.K.K. s.s. Talee Maru left Hankow for Shanghai on Wednesday.
The C.N. s.s. Suiyang left Hongkong for Shanghai on Tuesday.
The I.-C. s.s. Suiwo left Hankow for Shanghai on Thursday.
The H.O. s.s. Tehhsing left Hankow for Shanghai on Thursday.
The C.N. s.s. Luenyi left Hankow for Shanghai on Thursday.
The N.Y.K. s.s. Fengyang Maru left Hankow for Shanghai on Thursday.
The C.M. s.s. Kiangyung left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.
The C.N. s.s. Ngankin left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.
The N.K.K. s.s. Tachi Maru left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.
The C.N. s.s. Sinkiang left Hongkong for Shanghai on Thursday.
The I.-C s.s. Wingsang left Hongkong for Shanghai on Tuesday.
The C.M. s.s. Kianghsin will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.
The N.K.K. s.s. Yohyang Maru will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.
The I.-C. s.s. Kutwo will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.
The N.Y.K. American line s.s. Inaba Maru, with mails left Moji for Shanghai on Thursday, and may be expected to arrive at Wayside wharf today, about 7 a.m. She will be despatched for Hongkong on Monday, Dec. 24.

CHINESE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS
TIENTSIN-PUKOW LINE
TIME TABLE

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July 1st, 1917, and until further notice

Mail 101 B. s.	Mail 3. B. s.	Luxe 1. B. S.	Miles	Peking-Mukden Line	Luxe 2. B. S.	Mail 4. B.	Mail 102. B. s.
2085	835	800	0	dep. Peking arr.	2280	1950	1000
2345	1112	635	. .	arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	1935	1700	730
2350	1117	640	84	dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	1930	1655	710
000	1125	650	. .	arr. Tientsin-East dep.	1920	1645	700
1910	520	2310	524	arr. Mukden dep.	2301	. .	1040

Local 5.	Mail 3. B. s.			Tientsin-Pukow Line		Mail 4. B. s.	Local 6.
715	1130	—	0	dep. Tientsin-East arr.	—	1705	1615
725	1140	—	2.71	arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	—	1655	1605
745	1200	—		dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	—	1631	1547
1033	1500	—	78	dep. Tsangchow dep.	—	1332	1221
1437	1746	—	148	dep. Techow dep.	—	1048	928
1801	2021	—	—	arr. Tsinanfu dep.	—	806	640
7.	:	—	220	:	—	:	8.
800	2031	—	—	dep. Tsinanfu arr.	—	756	1813
1039	2231	—	266	dep. Taianfu dep.	—	601	1548
1300	038	—	318	arr. Yenchowfu dep.	—	349	1311
1315	048	—		dep. Yenchowfu arr.	—	339	1258
1556	316	—	377	dep. Lincheng dep.	—	130	1038
1816	450	—	—	arr. Hsuchowfu dep.	—	2336	816
9.	:	—	420	:	—	:	10.
630	467	—	—	dep. Hsuchowfu arr.	—	2329	2007
1156	833	—	523	arr. Pengpu dep.	—	1953	1443
1208	840	—		dep. Pengpu arr.	—	1946	1433
1657	1162	—	600	dep. Chuchow dep.	—	1648	928
1848	1300	—	631	arr. Pukow dep.	—	1530	710

Express 16. B. S.	Express 10. B.			Shanghai-Nanking Line		Express 1. B.	Express 15. B. S.
. .	1420	. .	0	dep. Nanking-Ferry arr.	. .	1410	. .
2300	1420	. .	. .	dep. Nanking arr.	. .	1415	650
700	2120	. .	193	arr. Shanghai-North dep.	. .	755	2309

Yenchowfu-Tsiningchow Branch Line					Lincheng-Tsochuang Branch Line				
930	1350	2130	d. Yenchowfu a.	630	1230	2000	530	1210	1800	d. Lincheng a.	810	1410	2100
1032	1455	2232	a. Tsiningchow d.	525	1125	1858	628	1319	1908	a. Tsochuang d.	702	1302	1952

The station for the foreign concessions in Tientsin is "TIENTSIN-EAST"

Conventional Signs.

300 — train runs on Thursday only. 230 — train runs on Fridays only.
‖ 300 — on trains marked thus passengers must hold additional place tickets.
B — train has buffet car with regular meal service
9 — train has sleep. accomm. 1st & 2nd class. 8 — train has only 1st class sleep. accomm.

Application for sleeping accommodation at $5.00 per berth should, at the earliest possible moment, be made to the Traffic Manager at Tientsin, or to the Traffic-Inspectors at Tientsin, Tsinanfu, Hsuchowfu or Pukow.

By Order.
THE TRAFFIC MANAGER.
Tientsin, July 1917.

SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY

ABRIDGED TIME TABLE, IN FORCE FROM SEPTEMBER 1st, 1917

Up—Shanghai North To Nanking (Main Line) Nanking To Shanghai North—Down

STATIONS.	Local	Express R	Fast R	3rd and 4th	Fast R	Local	Fast Local	Night Express R.S.
SHANGHAI NORTH....dep.	..	7.55	9.10	9.40	12.45	15.25	17.15	23.00
SOOCHOW ....dep.	..	9.41	11.22	12.20	14.55	18.15	19.20	1.08
WUSIH .....dep.	..	10.21	12.24	13.41	15.54	19.27	20.20	2.10
CHANGCHOW dep.	6.50	11.22	13.16	15.03	16.48	..	21.25	3.10
TANYANG ....dep.	8.05	12.09	14.11	16.16	17.41	..	..	..
CHINKIANG..dep.	9.16	12.52	14.55	17.17	18.22	..	..	5.06
NANKING.....arr.	11.19	14.15	16.30	19.13	19.50	..	..	*6.50
PUKOW .....dep.	..	..	..	..	..	..	T.P.E. Second Day	9.00
TSINANFU ...dep.	..	..	..	..	..	..		2.20
TIENTSIN CENTRAL arr.	..	..	..	..	..	..		16.28
TIENTSIN CENTRAL dep	..	..	..	..	..	..	M.R.	16.53
PEKING .....arr.	..	..	..	..	..	..		19.50

STATIONS.	Local	Fast Local	Fast R	3rd and 4th	Fast R	Express R.	Local	Night Express R.S.
PEKING .....dep	..	..	..	..	..	..	P.M.R.	8.35
TIENTSIN CENTRAL arr.	..	..	..	..	..	..		11.18
TIENTSIN CENTRAL dep	..	..	..	..	..	..	T.P.R. Second Day	12.50
TSINANFU ....dep.	..	..	..	..	..	..		2.18
PUKOW .....arr.	..	..	..	..	..	..		7.50
NANKING ....dep	..	..	7.20	8.05	11.45	14.20	15.35	*23.00
CHINKIANG ....dep.	..	..	9.00	10.11	13.30	16.06	18.16	1.00
TANYANG ....dep.	..	..	9.36	10.59	14.12	16.41	19.08	..
CHANGCHOW dep.	7.00	..	10.31	12.19	15.08	17.39	20.20	3.08
WUSIH .....dep.	8.15	7.10	11.28	13.14	16.00	18.29	..	4.11
SOOCHOW ....dep.	9.35	8.09	12.23	14.54	17.01	19.21	..	5.13
SHANGHAI NORTH ....arr.	12.15	10.15	14.20	17.50	19.00	21.00	..	7.01

R. Restaurant Cars.
S. Sleeping Cars.
*Connects Pukow with through Siberian Service.

To Shanghai North. (BRANCH LINE) To Woosung Forts.

WOOSUNG FORTS ..dep.	6.50	8.10	11.10	13.15	16.00	18.10	19.50	21.20
KIANGWAN dep.	7.17	8.37	11.37	13.42	16.27	18.37	20.17	21.47
SHANGHAI NORTH .. arr.	7.25	8.45	11.45	13.50	16.35	18.45	20.25	21.55

SHANGHAI NORTH dep.	6.10	7.30	10.30	12.25	14.50	17.20	19.10	20.45
KIANGWAN dep	6.21	7.41	10.41	12.36	15.01	17.41	19.21	20.57
WOOSUNG FORTS..arr.	6.15	8.05	11.05	13.00	15.25	18.05	19.45	21.18

SHANGHAI-HANGCHOW-NINGPO RAILWAY ABRIDGED TIME TABLE

SHANGHAI NORTH TO ZAHKOU—"DOWN" MAIN LINE. ZAHKOU TO SHANGHAI NORTH—"UP"

STATIONS	Local	Fast R	Slow	Coolie & Goods	Local	Express R	Local	Local
Shanghai North ..... dep.	....	7.35	9.00	10.00	....	14.50	15.50	....
Jessfield ..... dep.	....	7.51	9.16	10.23	....	15.06	16.06	....
Siccawei ..... dep.	....	7.58	9.23	0.38	....	15.13	16.13	....
Lunghwa Junction ..... dep.	....	8.15	9.40	10.53	....	15.30	16.29	....
Shanghai South ..... dep.	....	*7.45*	*9.10*	*10.20*	*13.35*	*15.00*	*16.00*	*17.55*
Lunghwa Junction ..... dep.	....	*8.15*	*9.40*	*10.53*	*13.52*	*15.30*	*16.29*	*18.12*
Songkiang ..... dep.	....	8.59	10.48	12.02	....	16.07	17.42	....
Kashai ..... dep.	....	9.51	11.52	13.28	....	16.53	18 49	....
Kashing ..... dep.	7.40	10.25	12.30	14.35	....	17.22	19.20	....
Yekzah ..... dep.	8.45	11.05	13.15	15.50	....	17.53	....	....
Chaugan ..... dep.	9.45	11.41	14.00	16.50	....	18.24	....	....
Hangchow ..... dep.	11.10	12.50	15.25	18.30	....	19.19	....	....
Zahkou ..... arr.	11.35	13.10	15.50	19.00	....	19.35	....	....

STATIONS	Local	Local	Fast R	Slow	Local	Coolie and Goods	Express R	Local
Zahkou ..... dep.	....	....	6.30	7.55	....	9.20	14.10	15.30
Hangchow ..... dep.	....	....	7.00	8.30	....	10.00	14.35	16.05
Chaugan ..... dep.	....	....	8.04	9.48	....	11.40	15.20	17.26
Yekzah ..... dep.	....	....	8.41	10.31	....	12.39	15.51	18.49
Kashing ..... dep.	....	7.15	9.28	11.22	....	14.10	16.30	19.30
Kashai ..... dep.	....	7.48	9.53	11.55	....	14.48	16.52	....
Songkiang ..... dep.	....	9.05	10.47	12.59	....	16.08	17.40	....
Lunghwa Junction ..... dep.	*8.18*	*10.33*	*11.38*	*14.08*	*15.33*	*17.23*	*18.23*	....
Shanghai South ..... arr.	*8.35*	*10.50*	*11.55*	*14.25*	*15.50*	*17.40*	*18.40*	....
Lunghwa Junction ..... dep.	....	10 30	11.35	14.05	....	17.18	18.20	....
Siccawei ..... dep.	....	10.39	11.44	14.14	....	17.28	18.29	....
Jessfield ..... dep.	....	10.46	11.51	14.21	....	17.37	18.36	....
Shanghai North ..... arr	....	11.00	12.05	14.35	....	17.55	18.50	....

KONZENCHIAO TO ZAHKOU KIANGSHOO BRANCH LINE. ZAHKOU TO KONZENCHIAO

Konzenchiao....	dep.	6.50	8.25	11.25	14.00	15.55	18.35	Zahkou.....	dep.	....	10.10	12.25	....	17.20	....
Kenshangmun ..	dep.	7.10	8.50	11.40	14.15	16.15	18.50	Hangchow.....	dep.	7.30	10.40	12.45	14.55	17.50	19.15
Hangchow.....	dep.	7.20	9.15	11.52	14.24	16.30	19.00	Kenshangmun ..	dep.	7.42	10.57	12.57	15.12	18.07	19.27
Zahkou	arr.	....	9.40	12.10	....	16.55	....	Konzenchiao....	arr.	7.55	11.10	13.10	15.25	18.20	19.40

R. Restaurant Cars.

Business and Official Notices

Shanghai Gas Co., Limited

NOTICE TO CONSUMERS

Owing to the increase in the price of coal, The Shanghai Gas Co., Ltd., hereby notifies consumers that subsequent to the meter readings taken in December, 1917, the undermentioned prices will be charged for Gas throughout the Foreign and Native Settlements of Shanghai, viz—

Lighting, Cooking and Heating
$2.20 per 1000 cubic feet

Chinese Cookers
$2.10 per 1000 cubic feet

Power and Industrial Purposes
$2.10 per 1000 cubic feet, with discounts.

Alleyway Lamps
$2.00 each per month.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GEO. R. WINGROVE,
Secretary.

Shanghai, December 21, 1917.
16275

Shanghai Electric Construction Company, Limited

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificates Numbers 1047/9, 1077/82 and 1090, in the name of G. D. MUSSO for 145 shares in the above Company, have been stolen and the public is warned against negotiating same.

D. McCOLL,
General Manager.

Shanghai, 21st December, 1917.
16276

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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION

No. 2487.

ELECTRICITY.

Owing to the increased cost of coal it has been found necessary to raise the price of electricity for light, heat and power. The revised scale of charges, except for Bulk Supply, is published in the Municipal Gazette of December 20.

The revised prices will come into force for the quarter ending March 31, 1918, and will continue until further notice.

By order,
N. O. LIDDELL,
Acting Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, December 20, 1917.
16265

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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION

No. 2486

SMALLPOX

IN view of the prevalence of Smallpox immediate vaccination is advised.

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Free vaccination for Foreigners will be carried out at the following Branch Health Offices:—

42 Woosung Road at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays.

23 Hankow Road (near the Bell Tower) at 3.15 p.m. on Thursdays.

J.1581 East Seward Road at 3.30 p.m. on Mondays.

Free vaccination for Chinese is available at all the Branch Health Offices: particulars as to times and places are posted on electric light poles.

By order,
N. O. LIDDELL,
Acting Secretary.

Council Room.
Shanghai, December 20, 1917.
16265

Shanghai Foreign Exchange Bankers Association

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16259

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S.N.R.:—First and second class between Shanghai North, Soochow, Wusih, Changchow, Tanyang, Chinkiang and Nanking.

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By Order,
THE TRAFFIC MANAGER.
16248

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DINNER MENU

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